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ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }
NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, *January 13, 1864.* }

STATED SESSION.

The Commissioners of Common Schools of the several Wards constituting the Board of Education of the City of New York, convened, pursuant to the second section of the Act relative to Common Schools, for the purpose of organizing for the ensuing year.

The Board was called to order by the Clerk, pursuant to the first Rule of Order.

On motion of Commissioner MILLER, of the Seventeenth Ward—

Commissioner TUTHILL, of the Fifth Ward, was appointed President *pro tem*.

The Clerk of the Board then read the certificate of the Clerk of the Common Council, that the following named gentlemen had been elected Commissioners of Common Schools, at the Charter election held on the first day of December, 1863, to wit:

Wards.

1. PATRICK MAHER,
2. JAMES F. HORAN,
3. EDWARD B. HEATH,
4. ARTHUR O'DONNELL,
5. JAMES M. TUTHILL,
6. TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
7. WILSON SMALL,
8. WALTER W. ADAMS,
9. JACOB C. BOGERT,
10. ANDREW J. KASMIRE,
11. CHARLES PERLEY, Jr.,

Wards.

12. JAMES C. WILLET,
13. THOMAS BROWN,
14. HENRY P. WEST,
15. WASHINGTON MURRAY,
16. SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,
17. JAMES L. MILLER,
18. WILLIAM H. NEILSON,
19. THOMAS McSPEDON,
20. JAMES L. HASTIE,
21. FRANCIS LIEBER,
22. BENJAMIN P. FAIRCHILD.

The Clerk then called the roll of members, as follows, each having previously taken the oath of office prescribed by Article XII. of the Constitution of the State :

Wards.

1. WILLIAM JENNETT,
PATRICK MAHER.
2. JOHN P. HUGGINS,
JAMES F. HORAN.
3. JOHN PATTEN,
EDWARD B. HEATH.
4. FELIX MURPHY,
ARTHUR O'DONNELL.
5. JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,
JAMES M. TUTHILL.
6. OWEN KINNEY,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN.
7. EDWARD L. CAREY,
WILSON SMALL.
8. SAMUEL J. MONTGOMERY,
WALTER W. ADAMS.
9. JAMES W. FARR,
JACOB C. BOGERT.
10. JEREMIAH WELCH,
ANDREW J. KASMIRE.
11. WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR,
CHARLES PERLEY, Jr.

Wards.

12. DAVID S. JACKSON, Jr.,
JAMES C. WILLET.
13. CHARLES G. SHAVER,
THOMAS BROWN.
14. JOHN HAYES,
HENRY P. WEST.
15. (Vacancy.)
WASHINGTON MURRAY.
16. ORLANDO P. SMITH,
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE.
17. JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,
JAMES L. MILLER.
18. JOHN N. HAYWARD,
WILLIAM H. NEILSON.
19. WILLIAM HITCHMAN,
THOMAS McSPEDON.
20. EDMOND CONNELLY,
JAMES L. HASTIE.
21. JAMES M. McLEAN,
FRANCIS LIEBER.
22. FREDERICK SMYTH,
BENJAMIN P. FAIRCHILD.

Present—Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Horan, Patten, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Willet, Shaver, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, Connelly, Hastie, McLean, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—42.

Absent—Commissioner McSpedon—1.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.

On motion of Mr. FAIR—

Resolved, That this Board do now proceed to the election of President for the ensuing year.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* appointed Messrs. FAIR and BRENNAN as Tellers.

First Ballot.

The Clerk called the Roll, and thirty-seven (37) members answered to their names, as they deposited their ballots.

The Tellers reported the whole number of votes cast.....	37
Necessary to a choice.....	19
Of which James M. McLean received.....	35
“ Frederick Smyth “	2
	— 37

Commissioner McLEAN, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected President.

The PRESIDENT *pro tem.* appointed Messrs. SMYTH and NEILSON as a Committee to conduct the PRESIDENT elect to the Chair.

The PRESIDENT elect was then conducted by the Committee to the Chair, where he was received by the PRESIDENT *pro tem.*, and by him addressed as follows :

Commissioner McLEAN : I am happy to congratulate you, sir, that the Board of Education have elected you President for the ensuing year, and from my past experience with you I have reason to believe that the Board will never regret their choice.

The PRESIDENT elect, on taking the Chair, addressed the Board as follows :

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT.

GENTLEMEN : It is with deep sincerity that I acknowledge the honor you have conferred upon me, in electing me to the office of President. I shall endeavor to discharge the varied and responsible duties of the office to the best of my ability, relying, however, greatly on your assistance and indulgence.

It is the custom, and no doubt the duty of the President elect, on taking the Chair, to present such facts and suggestions as he thinks best calculated to promote the interests of education, and to throw safeguards around an economical expenditure of the school moneys committed to your charge.

I will therefore present a few facts, showing the extent of popular education in this city, and offer some suggestions for your consideration.

The amount appropriated for the support of	
schools in this city during the year 1863, was.	\$1,450,000
Amount expended and liabilities.....	1,605,835
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Leaving to be paid this year.....	\$155,835

The whole number of pupils taught, during 1863, in the schools under the control of the Board of Education, and in the Corporate Schools that participate in the schools moneys, is as follows :

WARD SCHOOLS—

Grammar Schools for Boys.....	27,826
Grammar Schools for Girls.....	24,943
Primary Schools for Boys and Girls.....	115,548

EVENING SCHOOLS—

Male Departments	12,089
Female Departments	6,413

FREE ACADEMY.....	673
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COLORLED SCHOOLS	2,322
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CORPORATE SCHOOLS	11,310
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<u>Making a grand total of.....</u>	<u>201,124</u>
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The number of instructors employed (Corporate Schools excepted), was as follows :

	Males.	Females.
Free Academy.....	35	—
Ward Schools (including teachers of special subjects)	375	1806
Evening Schools.....	103	286
Total	513	2092

JANITORS—

Ward Schools	108
Evening Schools.....	40

The value of property, real and personal, under the control of the Board and School Trustees, exceeds three millions five hundred thousand dollars. The real estate is worth more than two thirds of that amount, the title to which is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York.

The estimate of the amount required to support the schools during 1864, made by the Board of Education in November last, pursuant to the requirements of sections 3, 14, 15, and 16 of the School Law, was..... \$1,787,000
Excess of 1863..... 155,835

Leaving an available balance for 1864, of..... \$1,631,165

The mere presentation of these facts will impress all of you with a sense of the important trusts committed to your charge as guardians of the moral and intellectual welfare of two hundred thousand sons and daughters of your fellow-citizens, as legislators and as custodians of the school moneys.

The system of education provided in this city is more liberal than that of any state or city in the Union, or any nation of Europe. Spacious buildings are provided, with every convenience for health and comfort. The teachers are liberally paid ; sufficiently so, at least, to secure the best of

talent, and the Course of Studies provided will qualify pupils to fill any position, creditably, to which they may be called in after life ; all of which is provided absolutely free of cost to both parents and pupils. If it fails to confer inestimable good, it will be owing to culpable negligence on the part of the School Officers, or indifference on the part of the people in selecting them.

The Free Academy is at present attracting considerable attention. Complaint is made, that the Course of Studies therein pursued, is not what it should be in a "People's College," that too much attention is given to the "Classics," and too little to the "Practical Sciences,"—that the Course of Studies is so arranged as to compel the students to take the full course of four or five years, to receive any permanent benefit, and even then he is only fitted for professional pursuits. Others insist that the Course of Studies is right in all essential particulars. It might be well to refer to the report of the Committee of the Board of Education presented in 1847, which had a controlling influence in establishing the Free Academy ; which says, amongst *other things*, "that the proposed Institution, which, while it shall be in no way inferior to any of our Colleges, in the character, amount, or value of the information given the pupils, the Course of Studies to be pursued will have more especial reference to the active duties of operative life, rather than those more particularly regarded as necessary for the pulpit, bar, or the medical profession. Another important feature in the proposed plan is, that the laboring class of our fellow-citizens may have the opportunity of giving to their children an education that will more effectually fit them for the various departments of labor and toil, by which they will earn their bread ; such an institution where Chemistry, Mechanics, Architecture, Navigation, Physical as well as Moral or Mental Science, are thoroughly and practically taught."

It may be proper to add in this connection, that the Executive Committee on the Free Academy of 1863, adopted the

following resolution at a meeting of the said Committee, held on the 14th day of December last :

“ Resolved, That the Faculty of the Free Academy be requested to give their written opinions, individually, to the Committee, on or before the second Monday in January next, in reference to the changes necessary in the Course of Studies pursued in the Free Academy, in order that the practical scientific branches may receive the attention they demand.”

Should the measure thus inaugurated by the Committee secure the end evidently contemplated, the result must be such as to render the institution more in accordance with its original design, as indicated in the extract quoted from the report of Committee of the Board, in 1847.

There are now in operation in this city forty-eight Evening Schools, twenty-three for males and twenty-three for females, and two Colored Schools, in which eighteen thousand five hundred and two pupils are receiving the benefits of education.

The law requires the Board of Education to conduct and manage these schools, and up to the year 1861, they were under the direction of an Executive Committee of this Board. In 1860, By-Laws were adopted, substantially putting all the Evening Schools under the control of the School Trustees in the Wards in which they were situated. It has been intimated that, in some Wards, the schools are negligently managed, and that more teachers are employed than necessary. The law fixes the sole responsibility of conducting the Evening Schools on the Board of Education. The Trustees have only such power as is delegated to them by this Board, which they may assume or not at their pleasure. I would suggest that the subject be carefully examined, and if more stringent regulations are required to secure economy and the objects for which Evening Schools are maintained, that the By-Laws governing them be amended accordingly.

The number of buildings occupied for school purposes is

one hundred and ten, of which twenty-six are leased premises. The demand for school accommodations was very great during the year 1863, for which the Board of Education have liberally provided. The number of School Buildings now in course of erection, and sites purchased upon which to erect others, is greater than in any year since the organization of the Board. They are as follows :

Buildings erecting for Grammar Schools in the Fourth, Eighth, Ninth, and Nineteenth Wards, and for a Primary School in the Seventh Ward, and sites for Grammar Schools in the Tenth, Sixteenth, and Eighteenth Wards, and for a Primary School in the Seventeenth Ward.

The heating apparatus in the School Buildings cost over one hundred and thirty thousand dollars. Complaints have been made that some of them have failed to heat the buildings sufficiently. In many instances it has been demonstrated that the apparatus were worthless, but it has also been shown that a great number of the janitors are incompetent to take charge of them. The result is serious injury to the health and comfort of teachers and scholars, and expense caused by misuse of apparatus. I think some regulation should be adopted by which the service of competent janitors may be secured, wherever required.

It has been estimated, that from thirty-five thousand to forty thousand children do not attend school. Our school system was designed to furnish a common school education to the children of all classes and conditions, and to none more than to the children of the poor.

If the estimate is correct, I think it eminently proper for this Board to ascertain the reason why this is so, and to consider the propriety of making an effort to save them, and save the community from the terrible consequences of a maturity, reached through the paths of ignorance and vice.

The amount for incidental expenses incurred by the local boards, exhibits, in many instances, a want of proper care on their part. On examination of the school law, I find that

this Board has a controlling power in regulating most of the expenditures made by the local boards. If the By-Laws are not sufficient to insure economy, some regulations should be adopted to remedy the evil.

Holland, amidst a hundred years of war, built up institutions of learning, that to this day are living monuments of the intelligence of her people ; and New York, true to the example set by her founders, deals out wealth to us with a lavish hand, bidding us see that the blessed light of education is shed upon the poor and upon the rich. Let it be the duty of each one of us, to see that this sacred trust is most religiously guarded.

The welfare of our schools, gentlemen, is in your hands for the present year. I trust it will be one creditable alike to you, and to our system of public education.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Ordered, That the address of the President be entered in full on the Journal, and printed as a document. (*Document No. 1.*)

ELECTION OF CLERK.

On motion of Mr. VANCE—

Resolved, That this Board do now proceed to the election of Clerk for the ensuing year.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. VANCE and DUPIGNAO as Tellers.

First Ballot.

The Clerk called the roll, and forty (40) members answered to their names as they deposited their ballots.

The Tellers reported the whole number of votes cast....	40
Necessary to a choice	21
Of which Thomas Boesé received	40

The PRESIDENT thereupon declared that THOMAS BOESE, having received all the votes cast, was duly elected Clerk.

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That this Board do now proceed to the election of the Executive Committee on Free Academy, for the ensuing year.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. VANCE and DUPIGNAC as tellers.

First Ballot.

The Clerk called the roll, and forty (40) members answered to their names as they deposited their ballots.

The Tellers reported the whole number of votes cast.... 40
Necessary to a choice 21

Of which James L. Miller	received.....	37
“ John N. Hayward,	“	40
“ James M. Tuthill,	“	40
“ Samuel B. H. Vance,	“	39
“ John Hayes,	“	39
“ Washington Murray,	“	39
“ William Hitchman,	“	40

The PRESIDENT thereupon declared that Messrs. MILLER, HAYWARD, TUTHILL, VANCE, HAYES, MURRAY and HITCHMAN, having received a majority of all the votes cast, were duly elected members of the Executive Committee on Free Academy for the ensuing year.

ELECTION OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That this Board do now proceed to the election of the Finance Committee for the ensuing year.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. FARR and MONTGOMERY as tellers.

First Ballot.

The clerk called the roll, and forty-two (42) members answered to their names, as they deposited their ballots.

The tellers reported the whole number of votes cast.....	42
Necessary to a choice.....	22
Of which Orlando P. Smith received.....	42
“ Timothy Brennan, “	41
“ Jeremiah Welch, “	42
“ Samuel J. Montgomery, “	42
“ Jacob C. Bogert, “	42

The PRESIDENT thereupon declared that Messrs. SMITH, BRENNAN, WELCH, MONTGOMERY, and BOGERT, having received a majority of all the votes cast, were duly elected members of the Finance Committee for the ensuing year.

SELECTION OF SEATS.

On motion of Mr. BOGERT—

Resolved, That the members do now proceed to select their seats, in the usual manner.

Twenty-two (22) ballots, numbered one to twenty-two inclusive, were then drawn by the Clerk, and the seats were selected by the Commissioners of the respective Wards, as the number of their Ward was called, as follows :

Commissioners—1st	Ward—	Seats—	Numbers	23, 24
“ 2d	“	“	“	33, 34
“ 3d	“	“	“	29, 30
“ 4th	“	“	“	39, 40
“ 5th	“	“	“	5, 6
“ 6th	“	“	“	31, 32
“ 7th	“	“	“	21, 22
“ 8th	“	“	“	17, 18
“ 9th	“	“	“	15, 16
“ 10th	“	“	“	11, 12
“ 11th	“	“	“	9, 10
“ 12th	“	“	“	1, 2
“ 13th	“	“	“	43, 44
“ 14th	“	“	“	27, 28

Commissioners—15th	Ward—Seats—Numbers	35, 36
“ 16th	“ “	13, 14
“ 17th	“ “	25, 26
“ 18th	“ “	37, 38
“ 19th	“ “	3, 4
“ 20th	“ “	19, 20
“ 21st	“ “	41, 42
“ 22d	“ “	7, 8

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. CAREY presented a communication from the School Officers of the Seventh Ward, asking authority to advertise for estimates and proposals for furnishing the new Primary School Building on lots Nos. 68 and 70 Monroe street, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Seventh Ward be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposals for the desks, chairs, settees, &c., necessary for furnishing the new Primary School-House, in process of erection, on lots Nos. 68 and 70 Monroe street, in said Ward, pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and to be approved by the Committee on School Furniture of the Board of Education.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

Mr. TUTHILL presented a communication from the School Officers of the Fifth Ward, nominating Thomas B. Wilson as Trustee of Common Schools for said Ward, in place of John Besson, deceased, and Joseph G. Harrison as Trustee for said Ward, in place of David D. Acker, resigned.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

Mr. MONGOMERY presented a communication from the

School Officers of the Eighth Ward, asking authority to advertise for estimates and proposals for furnishing Ward School Building No. 8, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Eighth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposals for the desks, chairs, settees, &c., necessary for furnishing Ward School No. 8, in said Ward, recently rebuilt, pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and to be approved by the Committee on School Furniture of the Board of Education.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

Mr. VANCE presented a communication from the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward, asking authority to advertise for estimates and proposals for the erection of a new Grammar School-House in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposals for the erection and completion of a new Grammar School-House on the four lots of ground recently purchased and known as Nos. 100, 102, 104, and 106, on the southerly side of West Twentieth street, in said Ward ; pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid, and subject to the approval of the Committee on Buildings of this Board.

Mr. VANCE moved that the resolution attached to said communication be adopted.

Mr. NEILSON moved that said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. NEILSON, and it was decided in the negative.

The **PRESIDENT** then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. CONNELLY presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking an appropriation of one hundred and ninety-three dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$193 78) for heating apparatus furnished for the building leased for class-rooms for the use of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 48, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. CONNELLY presented a communication from the School Officers of the Twentieth Ward, nominating Thomas Dunlop as Trustee of Common Schools for said Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mortimer G. Porter.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

Mr. HAYWARD presented a communication from the School Officers of the Eighteenth Ward, on the award of contracts for building a School-House for Ward School No. 40, in said Ward, and asking an appropriation for said object of sixty-five thousand six hundred and thirteen dollars (\$65,613), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of sixty-five thousand six hundred and thirteen dollars (\$65,613), be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of building a new School-House on East Twenty-third street, for the use of Ward School No. 40, in the Eighteenth Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of said Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of pay-

ment of the instalments—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

On motion—

Ordered, That so much of said communication as refers to heating, be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and that the balance thereof be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. MURPHY presented a communication from the School Officers of the Fourth Ward, asking authority to advertise for estimates and proposals for furnishing the new Ward School-House on Vandewater street, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Fourth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for the desks, chairs, settees, &c., necessary for furnishing the new Ward School-House now in course of erection on Vandewater street, for the use of Grammar and Primary Schools Nos. 1 and 26, in said Ward, pursuant to plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture of the Board of Education.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

Mr. SMALL presented a communication from the School Officers of the Seventh Ward, nominating William M. Tweed as Trustee of Common Schools for said Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Wilson Small.

In connection therewith, Mr. SMALL offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That William M. Tweed be and he is hereby appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Seventh Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Wilson Small.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication and resolution be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

A communication was presented from the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward, nominating Charles E. Loew, as Trustee of Common Schools for said Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Charles Perley, Jr.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

Mr. ADAMS presented a communication from the School Officers of the Eighth Ward, relative to refurnishing the assembly rooms of Ward School No. 38, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Eighth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposals for the settees, desks, &c., necessary for refurnishing the assembly rooms of Ward School No. 38, in said Ward, pursuant to plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

Mr. BROWN presented the following communication from the Board of School Officers of the Thirteenth Ward :

ROOM OF BOARD OF SCHOOL OFFICERS,
THIRTEENTH WARD, NEW YORK,
January 11, 1864.

To the Board of Education :

Herewith, we forward a preamble and resolutions, unanimously adopted this evening by the body we represent, and also in compliance with the instructions contained therein, a recommendation made in the report of a Committee on Inves-

tigation formed for the purpose of making inquiries relative to the conduct of a teacher in the employ of this Board.

Respectfully,

JOSEPH H. TOOKER,

Chairman.

ROBERT FAIR,

Secretary.

(Copy.)

Your committee respectfully recommend and urge the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That Mr. CHARLES G. SHAVER, a member of this Board, and representing the Thirteenth Ward, in the Board of Education, be and he is hereby requested to resign ; said resignation to take immediate effect.

(Signed)

WM. GARDNER,

JOHN MARTIN,

FREDERICK HOLSTEIN,

FRANCIS COAN,

JOSEPH H. TOOKER,

Committee.

[Offered by Mr. Joseph H. Tooker, Trustee.]

Preamble and resolutions adopted at a Special Meeting of the Thirteenth Ward Board of School Officers, January 11, 1864.

Whereas, at the last meeting of this body, Charles G. Shaver, a member thereof, and representative of the Thirteenth Ward, in the General Board of Education, was almost unanimously requested to resign his position, for conduct prejudicial to the interests of the schools under our care, and reflecting seriously upon the good name and dignity of this body ; and

Whereas, said Charles G. Shaver, notwithstanding said action on our part (so lenient, in consideration of the offence given, yet suggestively severe to a man with a high sense of honor), has the audacity to present himself here to-night and take part in our proceedings ; therefore be it

Resolved, That the recommendation contained in the report of the Committee of Investigation, read at the last

meeting of this body, relative to Mr. Shaver, be forwarded to the general Board of Education, for their consideration.

Resolved, That these preamble and resolutions, duly attested, be also forwarded to said general body, and a copy thereof entered on our Minutes.

JOSEPH H. TOOKER, *Chairman*.

ROBERT FAIR, *Secretary*.

On motion of Mr. DUPIGNAC—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to a Special Committee, to consist of five members.

The PRESIDENT appointed the following named gentlemen as said Committee :

MESSRS. DUPIGNAC, BRENNAN, BOGERT, WEST, and VANCE.

On motion of Mr. MILLER—

Ordered, That said Committee be and they are hereby instructed to report on said subject, at the next meeting of the Board.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. KASMIRE—

Resolved, That all papers referred to, and not disposed of by the Committees of the late Board, be referred to the corresponding Committees of this Board.

On motion of Mr. KASMIRE—

Resolved, That the Rules of Order in force at the adjournment of the last Board be and they are hereby adopted as the Rules of this Board until otherwise ordered by the Board.

Mr. SMITH presented for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to rent the second floor of the premises known as the "Mission Church," fronting on Twenty-fourth street, between the Sixth and Seventh aven-

ues, until May 1, 1865, at an annual rent not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500), the same to be used as a branch of Female Department of Ward School No. 45, and to be fitted up under the direction of the Committee on Buildings of this Board, at an expense not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300).

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That it be referred to the Normal School Committee to report as to the necessity and propriety of establishing a Daily Normal School for Females.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. SMYTH, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Maher, Huggins, Horan, Patten, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Willet, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—40.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Shaver, Lieber—3.

READING OF THE JOURNAL, AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. WELCH presented a communication from the School Officers of the Tenth Ward, stating that the Board of Trustees of that Ward had failed to organize, and in order that the school interests of the Ward might not suffer, the Board of School Officers had taken the responsibility of passing the pay-rolls, and had sent the same to the Board of Education, with the request that they may be paid.

Mr. KASMIRE presented a communication from one Commissioner and four Trustees of the Tenth Ward, stating that

they had used all proper efforts to organize a Board of Trustees, but had failed, from the refusal of the other members of the Board of Trustees to meet with their colleagues, and asking the Board of Education "to adopt a resolution that a Board of School Trustees be organized by the Commissioners and Trustees of the Ward, and declaring that the Inspectors have no right to take any part in such organization, or in the future proceedings of said Board."

Mr. VANCE moved that both of the communications aforesaid be returned to the officers from whom they came, with instructions to organize their respective Boards.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved as an amendment, that said communications be referred to a Special Committee, to consist of five members.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. HITCHMAN, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Maher, Patten, Heath, O'Donnell, Small, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Hayes, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly—13.

Nays.—Messrs. Huggins, Horan, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Kasmire, Willet, Brown, West, Murray, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—22.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved as a further amendment, that the communication from the Board of School Officers be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, and that the other communication be returned to the officers of the Board sending the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. HITCHMAN, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Adams, Welch, Perley, Jackson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly—7.

Nays.—Messrs. Huggins, Horan, Patten, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery,

Farr, Bogert, Kasmire, O'Connor, Willet, Brown, Murray, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. VANCE, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. FARR presented the Annual Report of the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, for the year ending December 31, 1863.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be received and placed on file.

Mr. HASTIE presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking authority to purchase a piano for Colored School No. 6, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Common Schools for the Twentieth Ward, be and are hereby authorized to purchase a piano for Colored School No. 6, at a cost not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250).

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Mrs. S. A. Buckley and Mrs. E. C. Crocker, owners of property situated at Nos. 40 and 42 Robinson street, which is now occupied for school purposes, relative to unpaid taxes on said property.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. CONNELLY presented a communication, inviting the Board to attend an oration by General THOMAS FRANCIS MEAGHER, at the Cooper Institute, on Friday evening, the

22d of January, instant, on the Life and Character of the late Brigadier-General MICHAEL CORCORAN.

On motion—

Ordered, That said invitation be accepted.

Announcement of the Standing Committees for 1864.

The PRESIDENT announced the Standing Committees of the Board for the year 1864, which, with those heretofore elected, are as follows :

1.—*Executive Committee on Free Academy.*

Mr. Miller,

Mr. Vance,	Mr. Hayes,
Mr. Hayward,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Tuthill,	Mr. Hitchman.

2.—*Committee on Normal Schools.*

Mr. Neilson,

Mr. Farr,	Mr. Small,
Mr. Willet,	Mr. Patten.

3.—*Committee on Evening Schools.*

Mr. McLaughlin,

Mr. Huggins,	Mr. Maher,
Mr. West,	Mr. Carey.

4.—*Committee on Annual Report.*

Mr. Hayward,

Mr. Brown,	Mr. Maher,
Mr. Perley,	Mr. Patten.

5.—*Finance Committee.*

Mr. Smith,

Mr. Brennan,	Mr. Welch,
Mr. Bogert,	Mr. Montgomery.

6.—*Committee on New Schools.*

Mr. Willet,

Mr. Perley,	Mr. O'Donnell.
Mr. Lieber,	Mr. Jennett.

7.—*Committee on Sites.*

Mr. Tuthill,

Mr. Hastie,	Mr. Heath,
Mr. Fairchild,	Mr. McSpedon.

8.—*Committee on School Furniture.*

	Mr. Hitchman,	
Mr. Huggins,		Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Fairchild,		Mr. Hastie.

9.—*Committee on Warming and Ventilation.*

	Mr. Hayes,	
Mr. Hitchman,		Mr. Dupignac,
Mr. Farr,		Mr. Jackson.

10.—*Committee on Buildings.*

	Mr. Miller,	
Mr. Adams,		Mr. O'Connor,
Mr. Bogert,		Mr. Welch.

11.—*Committee on Supplies.*

	Mr. Brennan,	
Mr. Vance,		Mr. McLaughlin,
Mr. Hayward,		Mr. Farr.

12.—*Auditing Committee.*

	Mr. Adams,	
Mr. Smith,		Mr. McLaughlin,
Mr. Kinney,		Mr. Brown.

13.—*Committee on By-Laws, Rules and Regulations.*

	Mr. West,	
Mr. Smyth,		Mr. Murray,
Mr. Small,		Mr. Kasmire.

14.—*Committee on Elections and Qualifications.*

	Mr. Smyth,	
Mr. Kasmire,		Mr. Connelly,
Mr. Montgomery,		Mr. Small.

15.—*Committee on Correspondence.*

	Mr. Lieber,	
Mr. Maher,		Mr. Jennett,
Mr. Connelly,		Mr. Kinney.

16.—*Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.*

	Mr. Vance,	
Mr. West,		Mr. Dupignac,
Mr. Neilson,		Mr. Smyth.

17.—*Committee on Teachers.*

	M. Dupignac,	
Mr. O'Donnell,		Mr. Willet,
Mr. Horan,		Mr. Neilson.

18.—*Committee on Salaries and Offices.*

	Mr. McSpedon,	
Mr. Jackson,		Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Connelly,		Mr. Hayes.

19.—*Committee on Libraries.*

	Mr. O'Donnell,	
Mr. Perley,		Mr. Carey,
Mr. Murray,		Mr. Hastie.

20.—*Committee on Free Scholarships.*

	Mr. Montgomery,	
Mr. Heath,		Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Tuthill,		Mr. Jennett.

21.—*Committee on Appeals.*

	Mr. Fairchild,	
Mr. Horan,		Mr. Kinney,
Mr. Patten,		Mr. O'Connor.

22.—*Committee on Annual Estimate and Apportionment.*

	Mr. Jackson,	
Mr. Horan,		Mr. Brown,
Mr. Heath,		Mr. Carey.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. MILLER—

Resolved, That so much of the President's Inaugural Address as refers to the Free Academy be referred to the Executive Committee on Free Academy ; and so much as refers to Incidental Expenses and Evening Schools be referred to the Committee on By-Laws ; and so much as refers to heating apparatus be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation ; and so much as refers to children who do not attend school to a Special Committee, to consist of five members.

On motion of Mr. VANCE—

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to apply for and receive the distributive share of the Literature Fund apportioned to the Free Academy by the Regents of the University, for the year 1863.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending requisition on the Comptroller for two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be requested to place with the City Chamberlain the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), subject to the drafts of this Board, on and after this date.

O. P. SMITH,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
JACOB C. BOGERZ,		
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,		
S. J. MONTGOMERY,		
JEREMIAH WELCH,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH presented a report from the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, to whom were referred the communication from the School Officers of the Seventh Ward, nominating William M. Tweed, as Trustee of Common Schools for said Ward, in place of Wilson Small, resigned ; and the communication from the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward, nominating Charles E. Loew as Trustee of Common Schools for said Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Charles Perley, Jr., and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That William M. Tweed be and he is hereby appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Seventh Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Wilson Small ; and that Charles E. Loew be and he is here-

by appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Eleventh Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Charles Perley, Jr.

FREDERICK SMYTH, WILSON SMALL, S. J. MONTGOMERY, A. J. KASMIRE, EDMOND CONNELLY,	} Committee on Elections and Qualifications.
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Mr. SMYTH moved that so much of said resolution as relates to the Seventh Ward be adopted, and that so much as relates to the Eleventh Ward be postponed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. TUTHILL, in connection with said subject, offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That Thomas B. Wilson be and he is hereby appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Fifth Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of John Besson ; and that Joseph G. Harrison be and he is hereby appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Fifth Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of David D. Acker.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORT FROM A SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Special Committee to whom was referred a communication from the School Officers of the Thirteenth Ward, relative to certain alleged immoral conduct on the part of Charles G. Shaver, Commissioner from said Ward, recommending that said Shaver be expelled from the Board of Education, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Charles G. Shaver, Commissioner of Common Schools of the city of New York, from the Thirteenth Ward, be and he is hereby expelled from the Board of Edu-

cation, for grossly immoral conduct, and that the Clerk of the Board be and he hereby is directed to strike the name of the said Charles G. Shaver from the roll of members.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
JACOB C. BOGERT,
HENRY P. WEST,
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,

} *Special
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Huggins, Horan, Patten, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Willet, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connolly, Hastie, McLean, Smyth, Fairchild—39.

On motion of Mr. WEST—

Resolved, That the Clerk be and he is hereby directed to serve a certified copy of the foregoing resolution on Charles G. Shaver, and the School Officers of the Thirteenth Ward.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.

Ward, asking an appropriation for said object of four thousand three hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$4,387), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of four thousand three hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$4,387) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting two wings to Ward School-House No. 5, in the Fourteenth Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contract, and against the lien law, nor until said contract shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. SMYTH presented a communication from the School Officers of the Twenty-second Ward, relative to purchasing a site on Sixty-first street for a new School-House, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing four lots of ground, situated on the northerly side of Sixty-first street, in the Twenty-second Ward, commencing ninety-six feet west of Broadway, on which to erect a School-House for the use of Grammar School No. 9, and Primary School No. 35, in said Ward ; provided said lots are, unitedly, not less than one hundred feet front and rear, by one hundred feet in depth, but no part of said money to be paid until the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation is on file in the Clerk's Office, that the title to said lots is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Sites.

Mr. VANCE presented a communication from the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward, on the award of contracts for erecting a new Grammar School-House on West Twentieth street in said Ward, asking an appropriation for said object of sixty-one thousand two hundred and twenty-nine dollars (\$61,229), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of sixty-one thousand two hundred and twenty-nine dollars (\$61,229) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting and completing a new Grammar School-House on West Twentieth street, in the Sixteenth Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of said Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

On motion—

Ordered, That so much of said communication as refers to heating be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and that the remainder thereof be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. BROWN presented a communication from the School Officers of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating Charles Koster as Commissioner of Common Schools for said Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expulsion of Charles G. Shaver ; and Lewis Withington as Trustee to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Charles Koster.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the City Superintendent, relative to closing the schools of the city on the 22d of February, the anniversary of Washington's Birth Day.

MR. WEST moved that said communication be referred to the School Officers of the several Wards.

MR. MILLER moved that said communication be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. MILLER, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Hayes, Murray, Smith, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, McSpedon, Hastie, McLean, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—28.

Nays—Messrs. Patten, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Adams, Brown, West, Vance, McLaughlin, Hitchman, Connelly—11.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Dr. Robert L. Waterbury, asking to be appointed as Superintendent of Schools.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be received and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Frederick Rauchfus, relative to a German and English Grammar.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. HASTIE offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That article 13, section 69, of the By-Laws, be amended by striking out the following words :

"Nor shall any text book be taken from the school except by the pupils of the two highest classes."

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. SMYTH—

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, in excusing the absence of Miss Julia Scarlett and Miss Elizabeth Brennan, teachers in said Ward, on the ground of sickness, be and the same is hereby confirmed.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That the By-Laws of this Board be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, to report such amendments as they shall deem expedient.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills, for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

Macoy & Herwig, printing Evening School Records, &c.....	\$13 50
E. E. Conklin, ice supplied at the Hall of the Board, for the year 1863.....	101 57
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for revenue, check, and postage stamps, express charges, cleaning Depository, and sundries, from Dec. 29, 1863, to Feb. 3, 1864.....	340 40
Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's Office.....	117 61

WALTER W. ADAMS,
JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,
THOMAS BROWN,
OWEN KINNEY,
ORLANDO P. SMITH,

} Auditing
Committee.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. **SMITH** presented a report from the Finance Committee, on the apportionment of the School fund for the year 1864, urging economy in expenditures on the part of School Officers, in view of the small amount remaining of said fund, for the purchase of sites, erecting buildings, altering and repairing School-Houses, furniture, &c. ; and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School moneys for the year 1864, be reserved and set apart, and paid as may be required upon appropriations previously made, as follows :

For overdraft on the City Chamberlain, in warrants issued in 1863.....	\$55,743 77	
For balance due on Special Appropriations made previous to the 1st January.....	100,090 93	
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		\$155,834 70
For salaries of Teachers in Ward Schools....	1,070,000 00	
For salaries of Janitors in Ward Schools....	58,000 00	
For incidental expenses of Ward Schools, including fuel.....	125,000 00	
For support of the Free Academy, including supplies.....	71,000 00	
For repairs of Free Academy Building.....	3,000 00	
For support of Evening Schools, including supplies.....	70,000 00	
For repairs through the Shop.....	15,000 00	
For supplies through the Depository.....	100,000 00	
For rents of School premises.....	22,000 00	
For salaries of Officers of the Board of Education.....	37,000 00	
For incidental expenses of the Board of Education.....	25,000 00	
For pianos for Ward Schools.....	2,000 00	

For apportionment to Corporate Schools.....	\$33,000 00
For all other purposes, including sites, build- ings, alterations of School Buildings, fur- niture, repairs, &c.....	165 30
Total.....	\$1,787,000 00

O. P. SMITH,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
JACOB C. BOGERT, .
JEREMIAH WELCH,
S. J. MONTGOMERY, }

*Finance
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Ordered, That said report be printed in document form and furnished to every School Officer in the city. (*Document No. 2.*)

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending sundry general appropriations, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sums hereinafter named, be appropriated out of the amounts respectively reserved for such purposes, viz. :

For overdraft on the City Chamberlain in war- rants issued in 1863.....	\$55,743 77
For payments of special appropriations.....	25,000 00
For salaries of teachers and janitors in Ward Schools.....	100,000 00
For rents of school premises.....	5,000 00
For salaries of officers of the Board of Edu- cation.....	6,000 00
For support of the Free Academy.....	10,000 00
For support of Evening Schools.....	35,000 00
For supplies through the Depository.....	15,000 00
For incidental expenses of the Board of Edu- cation	3,000 00

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For incidental expenses of Ward Schools.... \$10,000 00
 For repairs through the Shop..... 6,000 00

Total..... \$270 743 77

O. P. SMITH,
 TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
 JACOB C. BOGERT,
 JEREMIAH WELCH,
 S. J. MONTGOMERY,

*Finance
 Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Patten, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connolly, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—37.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of James Holden, for repairs on buildings in the Fourth Ward, amounting to twenty dollars and seven cents (\$20 07), not certified by the Inspectors of said Ward, in favor of paying said bill, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of James Holden, for the sum of twenty dollars and seven cents (\$20 07), for repairs made in 1863, on buildings of the Fourth Ward, and charge the same to the allowance for Incidental Expenses for 1864 to said Ward, notwithstanding the absence of the signatures of the Inspectors to said bill.

O. P. SMITH,
 TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
 JACOB C. BOGERT,
 JEREMIAH WELCH,
 S. J. MONTGOMERY,

*Finance
 Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the awards made by the School Officers of the Ninth and Eighteenth Wards, respectively, for contracts for the erection of buildings in said Wards, for the use of Ward Schools Nos. 41 and 40, and submitting the facts and conclusions therein stated for the consideration of the Board.

O. SMITH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Mr. FARR, in connection with the above report, offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of fifty-four thousand and thirty-three dollars (\$54,033) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of rebuilding Ward School-House No. 41, in the Ninth Ward :

For the mason-work, Launcelot W. Armstrong, Contractor.....	\$31,943 00
For the carpenter's work, William Beard, Jr., Contractor.....	20,900 00
For the painting work, Charles B. Cornell, Con- tractor	1,190 00
	\$54,033 00

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of said Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contracts and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof and the amount and time of payment of the instalments ; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made, except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

Mr. HAYWARD moved to amend the resolution offered by Mr. FARR, by adding thereto the following :

Resolved, That the sum of fifty-eight thousand nine hundred and four dollars (\$58,904) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting a Ward School Building for the use of Ward School No. 40, in the Eighteenth Ward :

For the mason work, Leander Buck, Contractor,	\$35,450 00
For the carpenter's work, J. Van Riper, Contractor.....	21,779 00
For the painting work, Charles B. Cornell, Contractor.....	1,675 00
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	\$58,904 00

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of said Eighteenth Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments, the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings, and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made, except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

Mr. VANCE moved that the further consideration of the subject be postponed until the next meeting of the Board, and that it be made the special order immediately after the third order of business.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved to amend said motion by adding thereto the following words : "and that the report and resolutions be entered at length on the Journal."

Mr. TUTHILL moved that the whole subject be referred back to the Finance Committee, with a recommendation that they make a report on all applications pending before the Board for buildings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. TUTHILL, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward, asking the Board to appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500), as an additional allowance to James Pettit, contractor, for doing the carpenter work in the erection of Primary School-House No. 41, in said Ward, adverse to granting said appropriation, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application from the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward for an additional allowance of five hundred dollars (\$500) to be paid to James Pettit, contractor, for doing the carpenter work in the erection of Primary School-House No. 41, in said Ward, in consequence of the said Pettit being delayed by other contractors in the completion of his part of the work, be, and the same is hereby denied.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} Committee on Buildings.
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
W. W. ADAMS,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
WM. J. O'CONNOR,	

Mr. JACKSON moved that said report be recommitted to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Patten, Jackson, McSpedon—4.

Nays—Messrs. Horan, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Brown, Hayes, West, Smith, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, Hastie, Smyth—23.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution recommended by the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HITCHMAN presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), for the purpose of pur-

chasing a piano for the use of Colored Ward School No. 6, in said Ward, in favor of granting said appropriation, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a piano for the use of Colored Ward School No. 6, in the Twentieth Ward, said piano to be purchased by the Trustees of said Ward, subject to the approval of the Committee on School Furniture ; but no part of the money to be paid until the party of whom the piano is purchased shall have certified the price at which the same is sold, and what money, if any, has been previously paid thereon, and that the payment of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) is in full satisfaction of all payments to be made on said piano, and that there is no charge, lien, or claim whatsoever, against said piano, or on account thereof.

WM. HITCHMAN,	} <i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
B. P. FAIRCHILD,	
FELIX MURPHY,	
JAMES L. HASTIE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, Patten, Heath, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, Perley, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connolly, Hastie, Fairchild—24.

Nays—Messrs. Neilson, Smyth—2.

Mr. HITCHMAN presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom were referred the application from the School Officers of the Fourth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for furnishing the new School-House now in course of erection for the use of Grammar Schools Nos. 1 and 26, in said Ward : the application from the School Officers of the Seventh Ward, for authority to advertise for proposals for furnishing the new Primary School-House, in course of erection on Monroe street, in said Ward,

and the application from School officers of the Eighth Ward, for authority to advertise for proposal for furnishing the new Ward School-House now in course of erection for the use of Ward School No. 8, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the several Wards hereinafter designated, be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposal for furnishing the necessary desks, chairs, settees, &c., for the following named School-Houses, to wit : School Officers of the Fourth Ward, for new School-House now in course of erection on Vandewater street in said Ward, for the use of Grammar Schools Nos. 1 and 26 ; School Officers of the Seventh Ward, for the new Primary School-House, now in course of erection on Monroe street, in said Ward, and the School Officers of the Eighth Ward, for the new Ward School-House, now in course of erection on Grand street, for the use of Ward School No. 8, in said Ward ; all of the aforesaid proposals to be in accordance with specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings for said furniture, subject to the approval of the Committee on School Furniture of this Board.

WM. HITCHMAN,	} Committee on School Furniture.
B. P. FAIRCHILD,	
FELIX MURPHY,	
JAMES L. HASTIE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. NEILSON presented the following report from the Committee on Normal Schools :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Normal Schools respectfully report :

That they have had under consideration the subject of re-organizing the Saturday Normal Schools for Females, for the benefit of such teachers as may wish to avail themselves of its advantages. They have been led to this action from the request of many female teachers, who have expressed the desire to your Committee to advance themselves in their

studies, and also to receive the benefit of such instruction as will the better qualify them for the high and responsible duties of teaching. They desire the aid of instruction that shall be practical in its character—instruction that, while it gives them the requisite literary qualifications, will also enable them to impart instruction to their classes with facility, and advance the scholars committed to their care more rapidly in all that pertains to a good English education.

In the plan which your Committee propose to recommend for re-establishing the Saturday Female Normal School, they do not propose, nor do they desire, to make the attendance therein obligatory on the part of any teacher. They believe that a number sufficiently large can and will be found anxious to avail themselves of the advantages of the School, to warrant the Board of Education in commencing and sustaining it.

The plan which your Committee would recommend to the Board, to be adopted in reorganizing said school, is as follows :

Authorize the Committee on Normal Schools to employ a person or persons to register the names of, classify and instruct, such teachers as shall present themselves voluntarily for instruction within a given time after the school is opened—say within three months. Should the attendance be not less than one hundred at the end of that period, the enterprise to continue, and the persons appointed as teachers not to be longer continued unless their appointment is confirmed by the Board of Education.

To enable all who desire to avail themselves of the benefit of the school, circulars to be sent to all the schools under the jurisdiction of the Board, informing the teachers therein of the opening of the school, and the principles on which it will be conducted.

The school to be held in the Hall of the Board of Education, in such of the rooms as are available for the purpose ; and if, after an experiment of three months, the number in attendance does not reach one hundred, then the enterprise to be abandoned.

The Board will perceive that the plan proposed by the Committee is of an experimental character, but the Committee have great confidence in the success of the measure. Indeed from the numerous requests from teachers to have the school reorganized, your Committee think that its success can hardly be questioned.

The amount of money required to conduct the school cannot be large. Your Committee think that two thousand dollars (\$2,000) will not only pay all the expenses of testing its success, but also go far toward continuing it after its success is established.

Should the Board authorize the Committee to try the experiment of opening the school in the manner indicated, they will ask an appropriation of the sum hereinbefore-named, for that purpose.

The subject, in the mind of the Committee, is of so much importance, and its success would be attended with such beneficial results to our schools by the superior qualifications of the teachers thus instructed, that your Committee could not refrain from bringing it to the attention of the Board, and would respectfully ask the adoption of the plan herewith presented. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, that the Committee on Normal Schools be and they are hereby authorized to re-organize the Saturday Normal School for Females, in the Hall of the Board of Education, at such time as the Committee may deem proper, under the following provisions and limitations :

1. The Committee, immediately after designating the day on which said school is to be opened, shall cause circulars to be sent to all the schools, informing the teachers therein of the opening of the school, and the principles on which it will be conducted.

2. The Committee to be authorized to employ such person or persons as they may deem proper, to register the names of, classify, and instruct such teachers as may present themselves, voluntarily, for instruction in said school.

3. The person or persons so employed by the Committee shall not hold their situations longer than three months, unless their appointment is confirmed by the Board of Education.

4. The course of studies in said school shall be fixed by the Committee aforesaid, until otherwise ordered by the Board of Education.

Resolved, that the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, the same to be disbursed by the

Normal School Committee, in furtherance of the aforesaid objects, in their discretion.

Resolved, That if, at the end of the three months after the aforesaid school is opened, the attendance therein shall not be equal to one hundred pupils, the same shall be disbanded; the Committee to report the attendance to the Board of Education at the expiration of the three months aforesaid.

WM. H. NEILSON, JAMES W. FARR, WILSON SMALL, JOHN PATTEN,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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Mr. MILLER moved that the report be printed at length, in the Journal, and that its further consideration be postponed until the first meeting in March, and be then made the special order, immediately after the third order of business.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. NEILSON presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, in favor of establishing a Daily Normal School for Females.

WM. H. NEILSON, JAMES W. FARR, WILSON SMALL, JOHN PATTEN,	}	<i>Committee on Normal Schools.</i>
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Mr. NEILSON moved that said report be laid upon the table and printed.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative [Document No. 3.]

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. MILLER offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That upon the dismissal of a teacher, the Board of Trustees shall file with the Clerk of this Board a copy of

the resolution directing the same, and notify the teacher, in writing, of the cause of dismissal. Said teacher shall have the right to appeal to this Board within ten days after the service of the notice aforesaid, and said appeal shall be immediately referred to the Committee on Appeals to examine into the facts and circumstances of the case, and report to this Board. Pending the consideration of such appeal, no salary shall be paid to any teacher acting in the place and stead of such appellant, nor will any appointment to the position occupied by the appellant be acknowledged by this Board. If this Board shall decide that there is no good cause for such dismissal, then the teacher dismissed shall be entitled to the position and salary he or she had at the time of dismissal, with pay as if no dismissal had taken place.

Mr. WEST moved that said resolution be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations.

Mr. FARR moved that the time for adjournment be extended one half hour.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. FARR, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, West, Vance, McLoughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connolly, Hastie, Lieber, Fairchild—26.

Nays—Messrs. Murphy, Dupignac, Perley, Brown, Smyth—5.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. WEST—

Mr. SMITH moved that section 83, Art. 15, of the By-Laws be suspended for the present.

Mr. HAYES raised the point of order that said resolution could not be adopted unless previously referred to a Committee.

Mr. NEILSON moved as a substitute for all pending motions, that the resolution aforesaid be referred to a Special

Committee, with instructions to report their action on the same forthwith.

Mr. MILLER moved that the time for adjournment be extended one half hour.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. MILLER, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. NEILSON—

Mr. HITCHMAN moved the previous question thereon, which was seconded by the Board, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, Brown, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie—22.

Nays—Messrs. Murphy, Tuthill, Perley, Hayes, West, Murray, Connolly, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—10.

The PRESIDENT then stated the question to be on the motion of Mr. NEILSON, to refer said resolution and pending motions to a Select Committee, and put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Horan, Dupignac, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, Brown, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie—18.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Murphy, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Perley, Hayes, West, Murray, Connolly, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—13.

Mr. VANCE moved that said Special Committee consist of five members.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT thereupon appointed the following named gentlemen as said Committee :

Messrs. NEILSON, MILLER, SMALL, VANCE, HASTIE.

The Committee having retired—

Mr. TUTHILL moved that the Board do now adjourn.

Mr. FARR raised the point of order that, until the Committee just appointed had reported, they having been instructed to report forthwith, a motion to adjourn was not in order.

The PRESIDENT decided the point of order to be well taken.

REPORT FROM A SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. NEILSON presented a report from the Special Committee, to whom was referred the resolution of Mr. MILLER, relative to dismissing teachers by the Board of Trustees, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved, That upon the dismissal of a teacher, the Board of Trustees shall file with the Clerk of this Board a copy of the resolution directing the same, and notify the teacher, in writing, of the cause of dismissal. Said teacher shall have the right to appeal to this Board, within ten days after the service of the notice aforesaid, and said appeal shall be immediately referred to the Committee on Appeals to examine into the facts and circumstances of the case, and report to this Board. Pending the consideration of such appeal, no salary shall be paid to any teacher acting in the place and stead of said appellant, nor will any appointment to the position occupied by the appellant be acknowledged by this Board. If this Board shall decide that there is no good cause for such dismissal, then the teacher dismissed shall be entitled to the position and salary he or she had at the time of dismissal, with pay as if no dismissal had taken place.

Resolved, That all resolutions and by-laws conflicting with the above, be and they are hereby repealed.

WM. H. NEILSON,
JAMES L. MILLER,
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,
JAMES L. HASTIE,
WILSON SMALL,

*Special
Committee.*

Mr. MILLER moved that said report and resolutions be adopted.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved the previous question on said motion, which was seconded by the Board, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Horan, O'Donnell, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Welch, Brown, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connolly, Hastie—19.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Murphy, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kasmire, Perley, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Smyth, Fairchild—12.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Brown, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connolly, Hastie—20.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Murphy, Tuthill, Perley, Murray, Smith, Smyth—8.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. TUTHILL moved that the Board do now adjourn.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT thereupon declared the Board duly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Horan, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—36.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Patten, Willet, Connelly—6.

READING OF THE JOURNAL AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. JACKSON presented a communication from the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward, transmitting a petition from residents of the northwesterly section of the Twelfth Ward, asking that the school building at the corner of Tenth avenue and One Hundred and Fourth street may be organized as a Grammar School.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on New Schools.

Mr. MURRAY presented a communication from the School Officers of the Fifteenth Ward, nominating S. Weir Roosevelt as Commissioner of Common Schools for said Ward, in place of Erastus C. Benedict, resigned.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John Graff, appealing from the action of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, in dismissing him from the principalship of Ward School No. 46, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John R. Roche, asking an examination into the merits of his system of instruction in Normal Schools.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Normal Schools.

Mr. TUTHILL presented a communication from Gilbert F. Davis, George W. Dilks, Charles M. Marsh, and four hundred and twenty-two others, "patrons of the schools in, and citizens of, the Fifteenth Ward," protesting against the action of the Board of Trustees of said Ward, in "removing from their positions, without cause, the principals of the male and female departments of School No. 10," and asking the Board "to appoint a Special Committee to investigate the cause of the proceedings, and to take such action thereon as may be deemed proper to aid in restoring to their positions the principals referred to, whose services they value so highly."

Mr. MURRAY stated that the principal of the female

department had already been restored to the position she formerly occupied.

Mr. VANCE moved that said communication be laid upon the table to await any appeal which may be made by either of the aforesaid principals who have been removed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, O'Donnell, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, Smyth, Fairchild—16.

Nays—Messrs. Dupignac, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Kasmire, Jackson, Brown, McSpedon, Hastie—10.

OBJECTIONS BY THE PRESIDENT TO SIGNING WARRANTS.

The PRESIDENT stated his objections to signing warrants in payment of sundry bills, for the reasons hereinafter stated, which were severally disposed of as follows :

Wanting the signature of one Inspector.

Nathaniel Johnson, furniture, First Ward \$78 50

Requiring Special Appropriations.

Martin Wells, lightning rods, Primary School-House, No. 41, Twelfth Ward	\$248 75
Fairbanks & Co., bell, Primary School-House, No. 41, Twelfth Ward	133 92
A. Taylor, clock, Primary School-House, No. 41, Twelfth Ward	225 00

On motion—

Ordered, That said bills be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Amount largely in excess of monthly allowance.

Pay-rolls for teachers' salaries in January, Twelfth Ward.

Not properly signed at an organized meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Pay-rolls for teachers and janitors' salaries in January, Tenth Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That the pay-rolls aforesaid, be referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. LIEBER—

Resolved, That the Special Committee to whom was referred so much of the President's Inaugural Address, as relates to children who do not attend any school, ascertain as accurately as may be, how many children in this city grow up without the benefit of any school education, how many children between the ages of seven and thirteen years who attend no school in the present year; what the average attendance of those is who avail themselves of the Public Schools; what means have been adopted, if any, to prevent children from total non-attendance at our schools, and what lawful means may be adopted, either of a compulsory or otherwise efficacious character, to "save the community from the terrible consequences of a maturity reached through the paths of ignorance and vice;" and that the said Committee report to this Board at its convenience.

The PRESIDENT appointed the following named gentlemen as a Special Committee on said subject:

Messrs. MILLER, LIEBER, NEILSON, FARR and SMALL.

Mr. FARR presented for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That Brown's Grammar, as revised by Henry Kiddle, be added to the list of books used in the Schools under the control of this Board.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.

On motion of Mr. HEATH—

Resolved, That the absence of the signature of Inspector

Mangels, from the pay-rolls and bills of the Third Ward, he excused on account of severe illness.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, a communication has been sent to the officers and teachers of the Public Schools of the city of New York, by the Committee on Public Schools of the Metropolitan Fair, in aid of the United States Sanitary Commission, soliciting donations, contributions of garments and shoes, of drawings, paintings, &c., and as subdivision 10, of section 38, of the By-Laws, prohibits the teachers from receiving donations of any kind from the pupils for any purpose, therefore be it

Resolved, That subdivision 10, of section 38, of the By-Laws, be suspended so far as it relates to contributions for the Metropolitan Fair, to be held in March next.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said preamble and resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, Heath, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Adams, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, Hayes, Murray, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, McLean, Lieber, Fairchild—28.

Nays—Messrs. Murphy, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Montgomery, Smith, Smyth—6.

Mr. JACKSON offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, Primary School No. 41 was opened on or about the 15th day of September last, in the Twelfth Ward, for which salaries have been paid, or are due by the Board of Education, to the amount of four hundred and eighty-eight dollars and fifteen cents (\$488 15), during the year 1863, and as said school was opened too late to participate in the amounts allowed to Schools by the By-Laws of the Board ; therefore be it

Resolved, That the sum of four hundred and eighty-eight dollars and fifteen cents (\$488 15), be added to the allowance for salaries of teachers in the Twelfth Ward, being the

amount paid for teachers' salaries in Primary School No. 41, in the Twelfth Ward, said school having opened in September, 1863, and no allowance having been made by this Board for the payment of said teachers.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Ordered, That said preamble and resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills, for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

C. S. Westcott & Co., printing Report of City Superintendent, Inaugural Address of the President, Index of Journal, Evening School Reports, Documents, &c.....	\$564 74
Slote & Woodman, making blank-books for Clerk's Office.....	59 50
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for check and postage stamps, express charges, and sundries, from Feb. 3 to Feb. 17.....	78 15
New York Commercial Advertiser, subscription one year from Jan. 1, 1864, to Jan. 1, 1865.....	9 00

WALTER W. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,	
THOMAS BROWN,	
OWEN KINNEY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the resolution recommitting their report on the application from the School Officers of the Ninth and Eighteenth Wards respectively, for appropriations to erect School-Houses for the use of Ward Schools Nos. 41

and 40, in said Wards, with a "recommendation that they make a report on all applications pending before the Board for buildings, with the facts and circumstances connected therewith."

O. P. SMITH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JEREMIAH WELCH, S. J. MONTGOMERY, JACOB C. BOGERT,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Mr. SMITH moved that said report be laid upon the table and printed, and the Clerk be directed to transmit a copy of the same to each member of the Board. (*Document No. 4.*)

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the application from Mrs. S. A. Bulkley and Mrs. E. C. Crocker, for the refunding of taxes paid by them on the premises No. 42 Robinson street, in the Third Ward, occupied by Primary School No. 37, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of D. J. Crain, agent, for the sum of two hundred and eight dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$208 58), being the amount of the county taxes on premises No. 42 Robinson street, stipulated in the lease to be paid by this Board for the years 1861 and 1862, said taxes having been paid by the lessors, Mrs. S. A. Bulkley and Mrs. E. C. Crocker, with interest thereon to the 18th day of December, 1863, upon the presentation by them of satisfactory vouchers for said payments.

O. P. SMITH, JACOB C. BOGERT, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JEREMIAH WELCH, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was recommitted the report of said Committee

on the award of contracts made for erecting buildings in the Ninth and Eighteenth Wards, and submitting for approval the name of Mr. Charles Loeber, as contractor for the painting work on the building proposed in the Ninth Ward, at one thousand eight hundred and ninety dollars (\$1,890), in substitution of the name of Mr. Charles B. Cornell, to whom said work was awarded at one thousand one hundred and ninety dollars (\$1,190), he refusing to take the work.

O. P. SMITH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JACOB C. BOGERT, JEREMIAH WELCH, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with the recommendations contained in said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. **SMITH** presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward, on the award of contracts for erecting a new Grammar School-House in said Ward, submitting the facts to the consideration of the Board for such action thereon as may be considered judicious, in view of the present condition of the School Fund.

O. P. SMITH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JEREMIAH WELCH, S. J. MONTGOMERY, JACOB C. BOGERT,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Mr. **SMITH** moved that said report be laid on the table, to be considered in connection with the report of the Finance Committee on kindred subjects, ordered to be printed.

The **PRESIDENT** then put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. **T. THILL** presented a report from the Committee on ~~School~~, to whom were referred the application from the School

Officers of the Eleventh Ward, for an appropriation of an amount not exceeding twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000), for the purpose of purchasing a site on Eleventh street, for the use of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 36, in said Ward, and the application from the School Officers of the Twenty-second Ward, for an appropriation of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000), for the purchase of a site on Sixty-first street, on which to erect a Grammar School-House, for the use of Ward School No. 9, and Primary School No. 35, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application from the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward, for an appropriation of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000), for the purpose of purchasing a site on Eleventh street, on which to erect a School-House for the use of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 36, in said Ward, be and the same is hereby referred to the Committee on New Schools, as said measure necessarily involves the establishing of a new school.

JAMES M. TUTHILL,	} <i>Committee on Sites.</i>
B. P. FAIRCHILD,	
THOMAS MCSPEDON,	
JAMES L. HASTIE,	
EDWARD B. HEATH,	

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. FAIRCHILD, in connection with said subject, presented for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing four lots of ground, situated on the northerly side of Sixty-first street, in the Twenty-second Ward, commencing ninety-six feet west of Broadway, on which to erect a School-House for the use of Grammar School No. 9, and Primary School No. 35, in said Ward; provided said lots are, unitedly, not less than one hundred feet front and rear, by one hundred feet in depth, but no

part of said money to be paid until the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation is on file in the Clerk's Office, that the title to said lots is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Mr. Bogert moved that said resolution be referred to the Finance Committee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Smith, Neilson, McSpedon—11.

Nays—Messrs. Heath, O'Donnell, Carey, Small, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, Hayes, West, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—19.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, as follows, a majority of all the members elected to the Board, not voting in the affirmative :

Ayes—Messrs. Heath, O'Donnell, Carey, Small, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, Hayes, West, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—20.

Nays—Messrs. Horan, Tuthill, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Bogert, Welch, Smith, Neilson, McSpedon—10.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved that said vote be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER moved that the resolution be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH presented a report from the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Fifteenth Ward, nominating S. Weir Roosevelt as Commissioner of Common Schools for said Ward, in place of Erastus C. Benedict, resigned, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That S. Wier Roosevelt be and he is hereby appointed Commissioner of Common Schools for the Fifteenth Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Erastus C. Benedict.

FREDERICK SMYTH,	} <i>Committee on Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. J. KASMIRE,	
WILSON SMALL,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH presented a report from the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, to whom were referred a communication from the School Officers of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating Charles Koster as Commissioner of Common Schools for said Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expulsion of Charles G. Shaver ; and Lewis Withington as Trustee to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Charles Koster, and the communication from the School Officers of the Twenty-first Ward, nominating Benjamin B. Atterbury as Trustee of Common Schools for said Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Bartholomew B. Chappell, in favor of confirming said nominations, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the nomination of Charles Koster as Commissioner of Common Schools for the Thirteenth Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expulsion of Charles G. Shaver, the nomination of Lewis Withington as Trustee of Common Schools for said Thirteenth Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Charles Koster, and the nomination of Benjamin B. Atterbury as Trustee of

Common Schools for the Twenty-first Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Bartholomew B. Chapell, be and they are hereby severally confirmed.

FREDERICK SMYTH,	} <i>Committee on Elections and Qualifications.</i>
WILSON SMALL,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	
A. J. KASMIRE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH moved to take from the table so much of the report from the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, submitted at the meeting held January 20th, and at said meeting postponed, as recommends that Charles E. Loew be appointed Trustee of Common Schools for the Eleventh Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Charles Perley, Jr., and moved that the same be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. FARR offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, it is well-settled by the past experience of the Board of Education that an average attendance of thirty pupils to each teacher in a Grammar School, and of forty-five pupils to each teacher in a Primary School (exclusive of the principals and teachers of special subjects), is a correct basis to insure proper attention to the educational wants of the schools ; therefore be it

Resolved, That the President and Clerk of this Board be and they hereby are directed to pay no salary to any teacher hereafter appointed by the Trustees in any Ward, unless the average attendance of pupils is equal to thirty to each teacher in a Grammar School, and equal to forty-five to each teacher in a Primary School (exclusive of the principals and teachers of special subjects) based upon the sworn returns made by the principal for the year ending December 31st next preceding, except that, in case of an increase of pupils

in any school, the salaries of additional teachers for said school may be paid, provided that the principal thereof certifies to the Board of Education the average attendance of scholars for the sixty school days next preceding, showing an increased attendance of pupils in said school equal to the average aforesaid for each additional teacher ; and, also, provided that the averages in the Grammar Schools and Primary Schools in the Ward are equal to the averages aforesaid.

Mr. FARR moved that said preamble and resolution be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. ADAMS, the Board then adjourned.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DEATH OF COMMISSIONER
WILLET, AND RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT TO HIS MEM-
ORY, AND OF CONDOLENCE AND SYMPATHY WITH HIS
FAMILY.

MR. JACKSON announced the death of his colleague, JAMES C. WILLET, Esq., late Commissioner from the Twelfth Ward, who departed this life on Friday morning, the 19th instant ; and in connection with said announcement, offered for adoption the following preamble and resolutions :

Whereas, this Board has learned, with sentiments of profound regret, of the death of the late Commissioner WILLET, of the Twelfth Ward, and desirous of expressing our feelings in relation thereto ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of JAMES C. WILLET, Esq., late Commissioner of Common Schools from the Twelfth Ward, the Board of Education has lost a most honored and highly-esteemed member, the community an exemplary, upright, and public-spirited citizen, society one of its brightest ornaments, and his family a loss which cannot be expressed in words.

Resolved, That this Board tenders to the afflicted family of the deceased, the expression of its sincere and heartfelt condolence and sympathy in their sad bereavement ; and as a testimony of respect for the public services and many private virtues of the deceased, this Board will attend his funeral in a body, and wear the customary badge of mourning.

Resolved, That an engrossed copy of the foregoing resolutions, properly attested, be forwarded by the Clerk to the bereaved family of the deceased.

The resolutions were advocated by Messrs. FARR, SMYTH, MILLER, and SMALL, each of whom paid a high tribute to the many virtues of the deceased ; after which they were unanimously adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Patten, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—40.

Absent—Commissioners Horan, Dupignac, Connelly—3.

READING OF THE JOURNAL AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the sessions held on the 17th and 20th days of February, respectively, was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. O'DONNELL presented a communication from the School Officers of the Fourth Ward, relative to renewing the leases of temporary school locations in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Fourth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to renew, for a period of one year, from May 1st, 1864, the leases of the temporary school locations now used by them, at Nos. 33 Rose street, 74 Oliver street, and 13 Oak street.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Mr. JACKSON presented a communication from the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Charles Boice as Commissioner of Common Schools for said Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of James C. Willet.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, with instructions to report on the same at the present session.

Mr. HITCHMAN presented a communication from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, asking permission to purchase three pianos for the use of the Male, Female, and Primary Departments of Grammar School No. 27, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

Mr. ADAMS presented a communication from the Trustee of the Eighth Ward, relative to additional apportionment for Colored Ward School No. 2, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of six hundred and fifty dollar (\$650) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund set apart for the payment of the salaries of teachers, for the support of Colored School No. 2, in the Eighth Ward, in addition to the amount apportioned to said School, for the year 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. ADAMS presented a communication from the School Officers of the Eighth Ward, on the award of contract for furnishing Ward School No. 8, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Finance Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Trustees of the B'nai Jeshurun Society, and accompanied with a resolution of thanks for donation of old furniture for the use of the Sunday School of said Society.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be received and placed on file.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Ira B. Davis, relative to the ventilation of School Buildings.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Lieutenant James Wood, proposing a plan for the introduction of military instruction into the Schools.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from citizens of the Fifteenth Ward, requesting the Board "to appoint a Committee to inquire into the moral character and standing of Henry Panton, a Trustee of said Ward, and also into the cause or causes, of the removal of John F. Stoddard, as Principal, from Grammar School No. 10."

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. TUTHILL—

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Fifth Ward be

and they are hereby authorized to lease the premises at No. 461 Greenwich street, now occupied by Primary School No. 11, in said Ward, for the period of two years, from the first day of May, 1864, at the same rent now paid, viz. : three hundred dollars (\$300) ; premises in Varick street, near Canal, now occupied by Primary School No. 33, in said Ward, for one year from the first day of May, 1864, at the same rent now paid—viz. : one thousand dollars (\$1,000) ; and also to lease the premises at No. 147 Franklin street, now occupied by Colored School No. 5, in said Ward, for one year from the first day of May, 1864, at the same rent now paid, viz. : six hundred dollars (600) ; all of the above named premises to be used for the aforesaid Schools in the Fifth Ward.

CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT announced as the next business in order, the consideration of the report from the Committee on Normal Schools, in favor of reorganizing the Saturday Normal School for Females. (*Journal, pages 45, 46, 47, and 48.*)

The CLERK read the resolutions recommended by said Committee, and appended to said report, as follows :

Resolved, That the Committee on Normal Schools be and they are hereby authorized to reorganize the Saturday Normal School for Females, in the Hall of the Board of Education, at such time as the Committee may deem proper, under the following provisions and limitations :

1. The Committee, immediately after designating the day on which said School is to be opened, shall cause circulars to be sent to all the schools, informing the teachers therein of the opening of the school, and the principles on which it will be conducted.
2. The Committee to be authorized to employ such person or persons as they may deem proper, to register the names of, classify, and instruct, such teachers as may present themselves, voluntarily, for instruction in said school.
3. The person or persons so employed by the Committee shall not hold their situations longer than three months, unless their appointment is confirmed by the Board of Education.
4. The course of studies in said school shall be fixed by the Committee aforesaid, until otherwise ordered by the Board of Education.

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purposes herein before mentioned, the same to be disbursed by the Normal School Committee in furtherance of the aforesaid objects, in their discretion.

Resolved, That if, at the end of the three months, after the aforesaid school is opened, the attendance therein shall not be equal to one hundred pupils, the same shall be disbanded ; the Committee to report the attendance to the Board of Education at the expiration of the three months aforesaid.

Mr. NEILSON moved to amend the first paragraph of the first resolution, by striking therefrom the words " in the Hall of the Board of Education," and inserting in lieu thereof the following : " in such one of the Ward School buildings as the Committee shall deem most convenient for that purpose."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Murphy, O'Donnell, Small, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Jackson, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—22.

Nays—Messrs. Huggins, Patten, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Montgomery, Adams, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Brown, Koster, Hayes—14.

Mr. NEILSON moved to amend the second resolution by striking therefrom the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000), and leaving the amount blank.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. NEILSON then moved that the three resolutions, as amended, be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. BOGERT moved that the blank left in the second resolution be filled with the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board w agree with the motion, and it was decided in the negativ follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Tuthill, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Jack Brown, Koster, Hayes, Murray, Roosevelt, Vance, Hayv Neilson, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber—16.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Huggins, Patten, Heath, O' nell, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Adams, Kasr O'Connor, Perley, West, Smith, McLaughlin, Miller, H man, Smith, Fairchild—20.

Mr. NEILSON moved that the blank left in the second i lution be filled with the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,4

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board w agree with the motion of Mr. NEILSON, and it was dec in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Patten, Heath, Mur O'Donnell, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Adams, I Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Brown, Koster, Hayes, Mu Roosevelt, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Nei Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—27.

Nays.—Messrs. Huggins, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, gert, Kasmire, Jackson, West, Smith, Hitchman, McSpe Hastie—12.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the B would agree with the several resolutions aforesaid, as amen and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing C mittee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and companied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the fol ing bills, for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

Macoy & Herwig, blank books and stationery
for the Clerk and City Superintendent's
offices..... \$104

Thomas Boosé, cash paid for check and postage stamps, law expenses in defending suit against the Board, and sundries as per expense-book, from February 17 to March 2..	\$180 57
Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's office..	157 88
Slote & Woodman, five hundred parchment certificates for City Superintendent.....	157 50
S. Beeching, subscription to the New York Express, from Dec. 1, 1863, to March 1, 1864	2 35

WALTER W. ADAMS, JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN, THOMAS BROWN, OWEN KINNEY,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending a requisition upon the Comptroller to meet the current expenditures of the Schools, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be requested to place with the City Chamberlain the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), subject to the drafts of this Board, on and after this date.

O. P. SMITH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JEREMIAH WELCH, S. J. MONTGOMERY, JACOB C. BOGERT,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending sundry appropriations, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sums hereinafter named, be appropria-

ted out of the amounts respectively reserved for such purposes :

For salaries of teachers in Ward Schools....	\$100,000 00
For salaries of janitors in Ward Schools....	15,000 00
For support of the Free Academy.....	12,000 00
For repairs of the Free Academy—total	3,000 00
For support of the Evening Schools.....	30,000 00
For supplies through the Depository.....	10,000 00
For salaries of officers of the Board of Education ...	6,000 00
For incidental expenses of Ward Schools....	3,000 00
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O. P. SMITH,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
S. J. MONTGOMERY,
JEREMIAH WELCH,
JACOB C. BOGERT,

} *Finance
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Patten, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Jackson, Brown, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the pay-rolls for the salaries of teachers employed in the Twelfth Ward, for January, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the action of the Finance Committee, in directing the payment of the Twelfth Ward pay-rolls, for the salaries of teachers for the month of January, first deducting therefrom the excess of said pay-rolls, in the amount of one twelfth of the annual allowance, less the amount of the indebtedness of said Ward for salaries in 1863, be and the same is hereby confirmed.

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Teachers, to consider the subject of absences from school duties of the teachers, and the excess in numbers employed in many of the Grammar and Primary Schools.

O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JACOB C. BOGERT, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the bill of Nathaniel Johnson, for bookcases and wardrobes furnished Ward School No. 29, in the First Ward, amounting to seventy-eight dollars and fifty cents (\$78 50), and audited by one Inspector only, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign a warrant in favor of Nathaniel Johnson, for seventy-eight dollars and fifty cents (\$78 50), in payment of his bill of bookcases and wardrobes furnished Ward School No. 29, in the First Ward, and signed by one Inspector only ; said sum to be charged to the account of Incidental Expenses for the Support of Schools in said Ward.

JAMES L. MILLER, WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT, W. W. ADAMS,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH presented a report from the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from six of the School Officers of the Twentieth

Ward, nominating Thomas Dunlap to fill an alleged vacancy caused by the death of Mortimer G. Porter, late a Trustee in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Elections and Qualifications be and they hereby are discharged from the further consideration of the communication from six School Officers of the Twentieth Ward, nominating Thomas Dunlap to fill an alleged vacancy in the Board of School Officers of said Ward.

FREDERICK SMYTH,	} <i>Committee on Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. J. KASMIRE,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	
WILSON SMALL,	
EDMOND CONNELLY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH presented a report from the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward, nominating Charles Boice as Commissioner of Common Schools for said Ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of James C. Willet, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Charles Boice be and he is hereby appointed Commissioner of Common Schools from the Twelfth Ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of James C. Willet.

FREDERICK SMYTH,	} <i>Committee on Elections and Qualifications.</i>
A. J. KASMIRE,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	
WILSON SMALL,	
EDMOND CONNELLY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, relative to the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That an additional amount of one hundred and twenty-three dollars and sixty-seven cents (123 67) be and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bill of Tuomey & Elder, for altering, enlarging and repairing the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward, the money to be paid on the certificate of the Engineer and Committee on Warming and Ventilation of the Board of Education, that said work has been done in a satisfactory manner, and that said apparatus yields the requisite amount of heat in the coldest weather.

JOHN HAYES,	} Committee on Warming and Ventilation.
JAMES W. FARR,	
WM. HITCHMAN,	
D. S. JACKSON, Jr.,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Heath, O'Donnell, Carey, Montgomery, Adams, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Vance, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—25.

Nays—Messrs. Kinney, Brennan, Bogert—3.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. O'DONNELL—

Resolved, That the new School-House now building in the Fourth Ward, in Vandewater street, be known and designated, when built, as Grammar School No. 1.

On motion of Mr. McSPEDON—

Resolved, That the Committee on Warming and Ventilation be and they are hereby requested to examine the heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 53, Nineteenth Ward, said apparatus being deemed insufficient for the purposes for which it is intended.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved to take from the table the resolution presented by Mr. FAIRCHILD at the previous meeting, relative to the purchase of lots in Sixty-first street, in the Twenty-second Ward, for school purposes. (*Journal, page 61.*)

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The Clerk then read said resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That the sum of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing four lots of ground situated on the northerly side of Sixty-first street, in the Twenty-second Ward, commencing ninety-six feet west of Broadway, on which to erect a School-House for the use of Grammar School No. 9, and Primary School No. 35, in said Ward ; provided said lots are, unitedly, not less than one hundred feet front and rear, by one hundred feet in depth, but no part of said money to be paid until the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation is on file in the Clerk's Office, that the title to said lots is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Mr. HITCHMAN then moved the adoption of the resolution.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Carey, Small, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—25.

Nays—Messrs. Huggins, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Smith—10.

Mr. JACKSON offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, in excusing Mary A. Lynch, a teacher in Ward School No. 6, in said Ward, for absence eight days in December and the whole of the month of January, be and the same is hereby confirmed, said absence having been occasioned by severe illness.

Mr. FARR moved that said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Huggins, Heath, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Brown, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, McLaughlin, Miller, Hastie, Lieber—21.

Nays—Messrs. Maher, Jackson, Hayes, Hitchman, Smyth—5.

Mr. HASTIE offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, the Board of Education, at the meeting held on the 16th day of December, 1863, confirmed the action of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, in appointing Miss Mary E. Nichols as an assistant teacher in Colored School No. 6, at a salary of two hundred dollars (\$200) per annum, said appointment to take effect from the first December, 1863 ; and whereas, said salary for the month of December, 1863, has not been paid ; therefore,

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of Mary E. Nichols, an assistant teacher in Colored School No. 6, in the Twentieth Ward, for sixteen dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$16 67), for salary due for the month of December, 1863.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said preamble and resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of **Mr. HITCHMAN**—

Resolved, That the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, together with the Engineer of this Board, be and they are hereby instructed to report to this Board, at as early a day as practicable, the best form of apparatus now in use in the schools for heating and ventilating, with a view to establishing a uniform system.

On motion of **Mr. HITCHMAN**—

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings, together with the Superintendent of School Buildings, be and they are

hereby instructed to report to this Board, at as early a day as practicable, the propriety of establishing a uniform class of School Buildings, for the use of Primary and Grammar-Schools to be known as "Primary Class" No. 1, &c., "Grammar Class" No. 1, &c.

Mr. SMITH moved that Document No. 4, being a report from the Finance Committee, relative to applications for appropriations for the erection of School Buildings, be made the special order at the next meeting of the Board, immediately after the third order of business.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. SMYTH, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Maher, Huggins, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—36.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Patten, Murphy, Tuthill, Carey, Kasmire, Brown, Connelly—8.

READING OF THE JOURNAL AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. O'DONNELL presented a communication from the School Officers of the Fourth Ward, on the award of contract for furnishing Ward School No. 1, in said Ward asking an appropriation for said object of seven thousand four hundred and thirty-six dollars (\$7,436), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of seven thousand four hundred and thirty-six dollars (\$7,436) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of furnishing Ward School No.

1, in the Fourth Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contract, and against the lien law, nor until said contract shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalment—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. O'CONNOR presented a communication from the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward, asking permission to pay one hundred dollars (\$100) additional rent for premises Nos. 194 and 196 Seventh street, known as Primary School No. 39, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Hon. Benjamin Wood, designating JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President of the Board of Education, in conjunction with Messrs. WILLIAM E. CURTIS and TIMOTHY BRENNAN, Esqrs., as a Committee to select a suitable person to be appointed a cadet in the United States Military Academy at West Point, the person selected to be a resident of the Fourth Congressional District, and to be taken from the Free Academy of Public Schools, exclusively upon scholastic and personal merit.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee of gentlemen named in the communication of Mr. Wood.

On motion of Mr. MILLER—

Resolved, That the thanks of the Board of Education are hereby tendered to Hon. Benjamin Wood, for the kind offer contained in his communication; and also to Hon. J. Winthrop Chanler, for an offer of two cadetships made, one each, to the School Officers of the Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards, respectively.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had appointed Mr. ROOSEVELT as a member of the Committee on Normal Schools, and Mr. BOICE as a member of the Committee on New Schools and the Committee on Teachers, to fill the vacancies in said Committees, occasioned by the death of the late Commissioner WILLET.

CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL ORDER.

The PRESIDENT announced as the next business in order, the consideration of the report from the Finance Committee, relative to applications pending before the Board for School buildings, being Document No. 4. (*Journal, page 82.*)

The Clerk read said document:

Mr. NEILSON, in connection with said subject, offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of fifty-eight thousand nine hundred and four dollars (\$58,904) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting a Ward School Building for the use of Ward School No. 40, in the Eighteenth Ward:

For the mason work, Leander Buck, contractor. \$35,450 00

For the carpenter's work, J. Van Riper, contractor. 21,779 00

For the painting work, Charles B. Cornell, contractor. 1,675 00

\$58,904 00

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of the said Eighteenth Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments, the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings, and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

Mr. FARR moved to amend the resolution offered by Mr. NEILSON by adding thereto the following:

Resolved, That the sum of fifty-four thousand and thirty-three dollars (\$54,033) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of rebuilding Ward School-House No. 41, in the Ninth Ward:

For the mason work, Lancelot W. Armstrong, contractor	\$31,943 00
For the carpenter's work, William Beard, Jr., contractor.....	20,900 00
For the painting work, Charles B. Cornell, con- tractor.....	1,190 00
	<hr/> \$54,033 00

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of said Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contracts and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof and the amount and time of payment of the instalments; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

Mr. DEBAXE moved that the whole matter be postponed

and made the special order at the next meeting of the Board, immediately after the third order of business.

Mr. WEST moved that the motion made by Mr. DUPIGNAC be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. WEST, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MURRAY moved the previous question on the original resolution and pending amendment.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved that the motion for the previous question be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT decided the motion of Mr. HITCHMAN out of order.

Mr. HITCHMAN appealed from the decision of the PRESIDENT.

The PRESIDENT put the question, "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the Board?" which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—31.

Nays—Messrs. Huggins, Dupignac, Hitchman, McSpedon—4.

The PRESIDENT put the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Heath, O'Donnell, Small, Montgomery, Farr, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—24.

Nays—Messrs. Huggins, Horan, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Adams, Bogert, Welch, Hitchman—9.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

agree with the amendment proposed by Mr. FARR to the resolution offered by Mr. NEILSON, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Adams, Farr, Bogert, McLaughlin, Hastie—5.

Nays—Messrs. Maher, Huggins, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the original resolution as proposed by Mr. NEILSON, and it was decided in the negative, a majority of all the members elected to the Board not voting in favor thereof, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Heath, O'Donnell, Small, O'Connor, Perley, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—20.

Nays—Messrs. Huggins, Horan, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Jackson, Boice, Hitchman, McSpedon—14.

Mr. SMYTH moved that the vote just taken be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. SMYTH, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Heath, O'Donnell, Small, O'Connor, Perley, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—19.

Nays—Messrs. Huggins, Horan, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Jackson, Boice, Hitchman—13.

Mr. JACKSON moved that the Board do now adjourn.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills, for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

C. S. Westcott & Co. printing circulars, documents, and Journals, and binding 250 copies of the Journal of the Board for 1863.....	\$444 25
Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's Office....	110 85
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for check and postage stamps, express charges, cleaning, and sundries, from March 2d to March 16th.....	173 90
Manhattan Gas Light Co. gas consumed at the Hall of the Board of Education, from September 18, to December 22, 1863.....	84 75

WALTER W. ADAMS, OWEN KINNEY, JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN, O. P. SMITH.	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Fourteenth Ward, on the award of the contract for erecting wings to Ward School-House No. 5, in said Ward, confirming the award of said contract by said School Officers to Owen Moran, for the sum of four thousand, three hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$4,387), and submitting the same for the consideration of the Board.

O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JACOB C. BOGERT, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
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CALL OF THE HOUSE.

A call of the House having been ordered, the following members answered to their names :

Messrs. Huggins, Horan, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Kinn Brennan, Small, Montgomery; Adams, Farr, Welch, Perl Boice, Hayes, West, Vance, Miller, Lieber, Smith—19.

ADJOURNMENT.

A quorum not being in attendance, the PRESIDENT declared the Board adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Horan, Patten, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Brown, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—37.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Heath, Murphy, McLaughlin, Connelly—7.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. SMALL presented a communication from the School Officers of the Seventh Ward, on the award of contract for furnishing the new Primary School-House in said Ward, and asking an appropriation for said object of three thousand six hundred and thirty-eight dollars (\$3,638), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand six hundred and thirty-eight dollars (\$3,638) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of furnishing the new Primary School-House, on Monroe street, in the Seventh Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such

security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contract, and against the lien law, nor until said contract shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent, that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. HASTIE presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking authority to advertise for proposals to paint Ward School-House No. 48, and Primary School-House No. 27, and calling attention to the necessity of making alterations in Ward School Building No. 48, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Mr. KOSTER presented a communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, with a copy of resolutions adopted by said Board, asking "that the Inspectors of Common Schools of said Ward be allowed to vote on all questions before the Board, as the Trustees now do."

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations.

Mr. JACKSON presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, asking authority to purchase a piano for the use of Primary School No. 41, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to purchase a piano for the use of a Primary School No. 41, in said Ward, at an expense of

two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), said purchase to be subject to the usual restrictions governing appropriations by the Board, for the purchase of pianos.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Emilie McAneny, appealing from the action of the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, in dismissing her from the position of Fourth Assistant Teacher in Primary School No. 21, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Sarah A. Young, appealing from the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, in dismissing her from the position of Principal of Primary School No. 35, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Hon Anson Herrick, representative in Congress from the Ninth Congressional District, tendering to the Board of Education the selection of a candidate for appointment to the United States Naval Academy, with rank of midshipman.

Mr. HITCHMAN, in connection with the above communication, offered for adoption the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the communication received from the Hon. Anson Herrick, member of Congress, from the Ninth Congressional District of this State, tendering the appointment

of midshipman in the Naval Academy to the pupils of the Common Schools of said District, be referred to the Commissioners of the Twelfth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-second Wards, and the President of the Board of Education, for the purpose of selecting a candidate possessed of the necessary qualifications ; and be it further

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are due and hereby are tendered to the Hon. Anson Herrick, member of Congress from the Ninth Congressional District of this State, for his action in awarding the appointment of midshipman in the Naval School to the pupils of the Common Schools of said district.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That this Board will, immediately after the third order of business, at its next regular meeting, proceed to the election of a City Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of Schools, to take effect from the first day of June next, when the official terms of the present incumbents expire.

Mr. SMYTH offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Twenty-second Ward be and they are hereby permitted to rehire the premises No. 219 West Forty-eighth street, now used as additional accommodations for the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 17, from May 1st, 1864, to May 1st, 1865, at a rent of seven hundred dollars (\$700) per annum.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, Patten, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Jackson, Boice, Brown, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—27.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The PRESIDENT announced, as the next business in order, the consideration of the report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Fourteenth Ward, on the award of contract for erecting wings to Ward School-House No. 5, in said Ward, confirming the award of said contract by said School Officers to Owen Moran, for the sum of four thousand three hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$4,387), and submitting the same for the consideration of the Board, pending the consideration of which report at the last meeting, the Board was adjourned for want of a quorum. (*Journal, pages 89, 90.*)

Mr. HAYES, in connection with said subject, offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of four thousand three hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$4,387) be and the same is hereby appropriated for erecting two wings to Ward School-House No. 5, in the Fourteenth Ward ; but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of said Fourteenth Ward shall have duly filed the contract with Owen Moran, to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contract and against the lien law ; nor until said contract shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments ; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made, except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Patten, O'Donnell, Carey, Small, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Brown, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Vance, Miller, Hitchman, McSpeldon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—23.

Nays—Messrs. Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch—9.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills, for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

Thomas Boesé, cash paid for check and postage stamps, cleaning Depository, cartage, express charges, and sundries, from March 16th to April 6th	\$101 67
Burnton Brothers—stationery for Clerk's office....	140 25
William Howland—drawing and engraving plans of School Buildings for Annual Report of 1863..	216 50

WALTER W. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
O. P. SMITH,	
OWEN KINNEY,	
THOMAS BROWN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Fourth Ward, on the award of contract for furnishing Ward School building No. 1, in said Ward, and asking an appropriation therefor of seven thousand four hundred and thirty-six dollars (\$7,436), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of seven thousand four hundred and thirty-six dollars (\$7,436) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of furnishing Ward School-House No. 1, in the Fourth Ward ; but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for that purpose, with Robert Paton, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contract, and

against the lien law, nor until said contract shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings, and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, Patten, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Jackson, Boice, Brown, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hitchman, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—32.

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES—APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ERECTION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Mr. SMYTH moved to suspend the Rules for the purpose of considering the report from the Finance Committee, relative to applications pending before the Board for School Buildings, being Document No. 4. (*Journal*, page 82.)

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, O'Donnell, Carey, Small, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Brown, Koster, Murray, Roosevelt, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—21.

Nays—Messrs. Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Jackson—8.

Mr. VANCE, in connection with said subject, offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of sixty-one thousand two hundred and twenty-nine dollars (\$61,229) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting and completing a new Grammar School-House on West Twentieth street, in the Sixteenth Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of said Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments—the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made, except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved in connection with said subject to take up and adopt resolution as follows (*Journal*, page 85) :

Resolved, That the sum of fifty-eight thousand nine hundred and four dollars (\$58,904) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting Ward School building for the use of Ward School No. 40, in the Eighteenth Ward :

For the mason work, Leander Buck, contractor, \$35,450 00	
For the carpenter's work, J. Van Riper, contractor.....	21,779 00
For the painting work, Charles B. Cornell, contractor.....	1,675 00

\$58,904 00

But no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of the said Eighteenth Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments, the work to

be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings, and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. O'Donnell, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Brown, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, Hastie, McLean, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—23.

Nays—Messrs. Horan, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Farr, Bogert, Welch, McSpedon—8.

The **PRESIDENT** then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution offered by Mr. **VANCE**, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. O'Donnell, Carey, Small, Adams, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Brown, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, Hastie, McLean, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—23.

Nays—Messrs. Horan, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, McSpedon—9.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES—RESUMED.

Mr. **SMITH** presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Eighth Ward on the award of contract for furnishing Ward School building No. 8, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of six thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven dollars (\$6,987) be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of furnishing Ward School-House No 8, in the Eighth Ward ; but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid, shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for that purpose, with Nathaniel Johnson, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contract, and against the lien law, nor

until said contract shall have been approved by said Committee as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

O. P. SMITH,
JACOB C. BOGERT,
S. J. MONTGOMERY,
JEREMIAH WELCH,

} *Finance
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Ayes—Messrs. Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Brown, Koster, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Executive Committee on Free Academy, accompanied with the following resolution:

Resolved, That section 113 of the By-Laws, on page 131 of the Manual of 1863, be amended so as to read as follows:

"On the Merit Roll, the students shall be classed as Highest, High, Good, and Low.

"1. The student who has the highest number of marks, shall be classed Highest.

"2. Those students shall be classed High, the total of whose marks, in conduct and study, is equal to the ~~maximum~~ of conduct, plus nine tenths of the maximum of study.

"3. Those shall be classed Good, the total of whose marks is equal to the maximum of conduct, plus six tenths of the ~~the~~ maximum of study.

"4. And those students, the total of whose marks shall fall below this latter sum, shall be classed Low."

JAMES L. MILLER,
JOHN N. HAYWARD,
JOHN HAYES,
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,
WM. HITCHMAN,
WASHINGTON MURRAY,

} *Executive
Committee
on
Free Academy.*

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. **MILLER** presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom were referred the bill of Alonzo Taylor, for clock for Primary School-House No. 41, in the Twelfth Ward ; the bill of Fairbanks & Co. for bell, and the bill of Martin Wells for lightning-rods for the same building, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of six hundred and seven dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$607 67), be and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the following bills, incurred in completing Primary School-House No. 41, in the Twelfth Ward :

Alonzo Taylor, clock.....	\$225 00
Martin Wells, lightning rods.	248 75
Fairbanks & Co., bell.....	133 92

\$607 67

Said bills to be paid on the approval of the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward aforesaid, and the Superintendent of School Buildings of the Board of Education.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} Committee on School Buildings.
WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
W. W. ADAMS,	

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Montgomery, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, Murray, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth—24.

Mr. **BOICE** presented a report from the Committee on New Schools, to whom was referred the application from the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward, for authority to change Prima-

ry School No. 41, in said Ward, into a Grammar School, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to change Primary School No. 41, in said Ward, into a Grammar School, and that the subject of fitting up and furnishing said School-House for said purpose, be and the same is hereby referred to the Committee on Buildings.

CHARLES BOICE,	} Committee on New Schools.
CHARLES PERLEY, Jr.,	
ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	
FRANCIS LIEBER,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—MENSRS. Horan, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Montgomery, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Brown, West, Murray, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Smyth—23.

Nay—Mr. Lieber—1.

Mr. BOICE presented a report from the Committee on New Schools to whom was referred the application from the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward, for authority to establish a new Primary School, principally for the use of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 36, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward be and they are hereby authorized to establish a new Primary School in Eleventh street, near Avenue C, for the use of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 36, in said Ward ; and that so much of the communication from the School Officers of said Ward, on said subject, as relates to purchasing a site for a School-House for said new school be and the same is hereby referred to the Committee on Sites.

CHARLES BOICE,	} Committee on New Schools.
ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	
CHARLES PERLEY, Jr.,	
FRANCIS LIEBER,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would

ditioned in the proposals of said John T. Barnard, and in accordance with the By-Laws of the Board, and the requirements of the advertisement soliciting proposals for fuel.

TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	} Committee on Supplies.
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,	
JAMES W. FARR,	
JOHN N. HAYWARD,	

Mr HITCHMAN moved that the consideration of said report be postponed until the next meeting of the Board, and that it then be made the special order, after the consideration of the special order already provided for.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, The opening of Grammar School 27, in the Nineteenth Ward, has largely increased the number of pupils in said Ward, entitling the School Officers to a large increase of money for "Teachers' Salaries," the said increase being about eight hundred pupils ; therefore

Resolved, That inasmuch as the By-Laws of this Board cannot be complied with pursuant to section 62, in time to pay the salaries of teachers employed in said school, that the President and Clerk be directed to sign the pay-roll of Grammar School 27, for the present month.

Mr. DUPIGNAC moved that said preamble and resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, The efficiency of steam and water apparatus for heating purposes is primarily dependent upon the area of

boiler surface which conducts the heat from the fire to the water, and the area of the pipe surface which conducts or radiates the heat from the water or steam into the air to be warmed ; therefore

Resolved, That the Committee on Warming and Ventilation be directed to ascertain und report to this Board, at their earliest convenience, in regard to each of the School buildings under the charge of the Board, in which steam or hot water apparatus is now used :

First, The number of cubic feet contained in the building, exclusive of the janitor's rooms, halls and stairways ;

Secondly, The number of square feet of surface of the radiating pipes ;

Thirdly, The number of square feet of boiler surface ;

Fourthly, The proportion of cubic feet of contents to square feet of radiating surface ; and

Fifthly, The proportion of square feet of radiating surface to square feet of boiler surface.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said preamble and resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HASTIE offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That Oswald's Etymological Dictionary be placed on the list of school books used in the Public Schools of the city.

On motion—

Ordered, That said said resolution be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. DUPIGNAC, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Horan, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—38.

Absent—Commissioners Huggins, Patten, Carey, Jackson, McLaughlin, Neilson—6.

READING OF THE JOURNAL AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. PERLEY presented a communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, relative to exchange of piano used in Male Department of Ward School No. 36, in said Ward, and asking an appropriation of two hundred and thirty-one dollars and twenty-five cents (\$231 25) for that purpose.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

Mr. KOSTER presented a communication from the School Officers of the Thirteenth Ward, representing that the buildings now occupied by Primary Schools Nos. 10 and 21 are un-

fit for the purposes to which they are applied ; that a school building for the accommodation of these schools should be erected, and asking authority to purchase for that purpose lots Nos. 61, 63, 65, and 67 Cannon street, containing seventy-five feet in front and rear, and one hundred feet in depth on each side, for the sum of twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000).

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Sites.

Mr. BROWN presented a communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, representing that said Board had appointed Mr. David Price, Teacher of Phonetics, etc., and asking the sanction of the Board of Education thereto.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Leonard O. Smith, relative to Mitchell's new General Atlas.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from N. Mendal Shafer, relative to a Diagram of the Federal Government.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication, being a report of a Committee on a nomination to fill a vacant cadetship at West Point, from the Fourth Congressional District :

To the Board of Education of the City of New York :

The undersigned, to whom was delegated by the Hon. Benjamin Wood, representative in Congress from the Fourth Congressional District, the selection, upon scholastic and personal merit of a pupil from the Free Academy of Public Schools, residing in the Fourth Congressional District, to be nominated for appointment as a cadet in the Military Academy at West Point, to fill the existing vacancy in that District, respectfully report :

That they have selected for the appointment John J. Casey, of the Sophomore Class of the Free Academy, a resident of the Fourth Congressional District, and distinguished for good conduct, punctual attendance upon his duties, and high standing as a student, and that they have notified Mr. Wood of their selection.

They desire to express their grateful appreciation of the patriotic and generous course pursued by the Hon. Benjamin Wood, present representative in Congress from the Fourth Congressional District, the Hon. John Kelly, and General Sickles, former representatives in Congress from the Fourth Congressional District, and the Hon. John W. Chanler, present representative in Congress from the Seventh Congressional District, in nominating for appointments to the vacant cadetships at West Point, and in the United States Naval Academy, occurring in their Congressional Districts, pupils in the Free Academy and Public Schools, distinguished for good scholarship and meritorious conduct.

It presents an incentive to good, that reaches many thousand young hearts, and stimulates a desire to profit by the liberal system of public instruction, which is the honor and pride of New York. Advancement to the public service for merit and attainments is a prize for which any student may well contend, and which, when thus offered by our Members of Congress, has a wide-spreading and most beneficial effect.

It is earnestly to be desired, that the course inaugurated in this city may be universally followed. Not merely that distinguished merit is rewarded and the country well served, but because it is an active encouragement and stimulant to tens of thousands of pupils in our midst, to improve themselves physically and mentally.

The country seeks to educate as officers those who combine with physical capacity a high order of intellect. The history of every nation shows that these are the men who are the most

efficient and useful in the public service. Every enlightened country recognizes it. The civil and military cadets in France, England, and Russia, are chiefly appointed and promoted, after passing examinations, upon the basis of proficiency. The experience of India and Algiers has demonstrated, that the combination of a good physical and intellectual education among officers is the strongest guaranty of the peace and progress of newly-acquired territory.

We earnestly commend to those who have the power to make these nominations, to pursue this course, which we believe to be most beneficial to the country, and of inestimable advantage to our Public Schools.

JAMES M. McLEAN, }
WM. E. CURTIS, } *Committee.*
TIMOTHY BRENNAN, }

NEW YORK, April 4, 1864.

Mr. HEATH, in connection with said communication, presented for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the communication be entered in full on the Journal, and the Clerk directed to send a copy to the gentlemen named in the communication, and to every person representing this state in Congress.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. SMYTH—

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, in excusing Henrietta Seebach for absence, in the month of March, said absence having been caused by sickness, be and is hereby confirmed.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

NO. I.

Election of Superintendents of Schools.

The PRESIDENT announced, as the next business in order, the election of Superintendent of Schools, in place of Samuel S. Randall, and an Assistant Superintendent of Schools, in

place of Henry Kiddle, for the term of two years, from the first day of June next, when the official terms of the present incumbents expire. (*Journal, page 94.*)

On motion of Mr. TUTHILL—

Ordered, That the Board do now proceed to elect a Superintendent, in place of Mr. Samuel S. Randall.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. McSPEDON and HASTIE as tellers.

The Clerk called the roll, and thirty-eight (38) members answered to their names, as they deposited their ballots.

The tellers reported the whole number of votes cast...	38
Necessary to a choice.....	20
Of which Samuel S. Randall received.....	34
Scattering	4
	— 38

The PRESIDENT thereupon declared that SAMUEL S. RANDALL, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Superintendent of Schools, for the term of two years, from the first day of June, 1864.

Election of Assistant Superintendent of Schools.

On motion of Mr. TUTHILL—

Ordered, That the Board do now proceed to elect an Assistant Superintendent of Schools, in place of Henry Kiddle.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. MURRAY and HAYWARD as tellers.

The Clerk called the roll, and thirty-six (36) members answered to their names, as they deposited their ballots.

The tellers reported the whole number of votes cast....	36
Necessary to a choice.....	19
Of which Henry Kiddle received.....	33
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	— 36

The PRESIDENT thereupon declared that HENRY KIDDLE, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly

elected Assistant Superintendent of Schools for the term of two years, from the first day of June, 1864.

NO. II.

*Consideration of the Report from the Committee on Supplies,
on the Award of Contracts for Fuel.*

The PRESIDENT announced, as the next business in order, the consideration of the report from the Committee on Supplies, on the award of contracts for supplying the Schools with fuel for the year ending May 25, 1865. (*Journal, page 103.*)

The Clerk read the resolution attached to said report, as follows :

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be, and they are hereby authorized to contract with John T. Barnard to furnish coal, pursuant to his proposals, to the schools, &c., for the year ending May 25, 1865, at the rate of eight dollars and ninety cents (\$8 90) per ton of two thousand two hundred and forty pounds, and wood for the like term at the following rates :

Oak wood, per cord.....	\$7 56
Pine “ “	7 50
Sawing and splitting, per cut per load for oak.....	8
“ “ “ “ for pine.....	7

The coal and wood to be delivered in every respect as conditioned in the proposals of said John T. Barnard, and in accordance with By-Laws of the Board, and the requirements of the advertisements soliciting proposals for fuel.

Mr. VANCE moved that said resolution be adopted.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved to substitute the following for the resolution offered by the Committee :

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be and is hereby authorized and directed to cause an advertisement to be inserted in three daily papers of this city having the largest circulation, for proposals for coal and wood for the use of the Schools, &c., under the direction of this Board, for the year commencing on the 25th proximo. The Committee to award the contract for such articles to the lowest bidder, complying

with the requirements of the advertisement, said award to be presented to this Board for confirmation ; and be it further

Resolved, That for the purposes of convenience in the delivery of fuel, the city be divided into districts, as follows, viz. : The First District to comprise the First, Second, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh, and Tenth Wards ; the Second District to comprise the Third, Fifth, Eighth and Ninth Wards ; the Third District to comprise the Eleventh, Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Wards ; the Fourth District to comprise the Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, and Twentieth Wards ; the Fifth District to comprise the Sixteenth, Twentieth, and Twenty-second Wards ; the Sixth District to comprise the Twelfth Ward ; the days of delivery to be as follows : First District on Mondays, Second District on Tuesdays, Third District on Wednesdays, Fourth District on Thursdays, Fifth District on Fridays, Sixth District on Saturdays.

Mr. SMALL moved that the resolutions offered by Mr. HITCHMAN be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Boice, Koster, Brown, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hastie, Lieber—28.

Nays—Messrs. Perley, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connolly, Smyth, Fairchild—6.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution recommended by the Committee on Supplies, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are

hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills, for the amounts respectfully stated, to wit :

Burton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's Office....	\$130 44
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for cartage, express charges, check and postage stamps, for Clerk's and Superintendent's offices, cleaning Depository, and sundries, from April 6th to April 20th.....	94 43
Manhattan Gas Light Company, gas consumed at the Hall of the Board, from Dec. 22d, 1863, to March 17th, 1864.....	82 50
Baptist & Taylor, engraving, lithographing, and printing map for Manual, 3,200 copies, printing circulars, &c., &c., for Clerk's Office.....	330 50

W. W. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
OWEN KINNEY,	
THOMAS BROWN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Seventh Ward, on the award of contract for furnishing new Primary School Building in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution.

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand six hundred and thirty-eight dollars (\$3,638) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of furnishing the new Primary School-House on Monroe street, in the Seventh Ward, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid shall have duly filed the contract to be entered into by them for that purpose with Nathaniel Johnson, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, for the faithful performance of said contract, nor until said contract shall have been approved by the said Finance Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments ; the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings, and the School Officers of the Ward, and

no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, S. J. MONTGOMERY, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JACOB C. BOGERT,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Dupignac, Tut-hill, Kinney, Brennan, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, Roosevelt, Vance, Hitchman, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—24.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending a requisition on the Comptroller for two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be requested to place with the City Chamberlain the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), subject to the drafts of this Board, on and after this date.

O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, S. J. MONTGOMERY, TIMOTey BRENNAN, JACOB C. BOGERT,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending sundry general appropriations, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sums hereinafter named be appropri-

ated out of the amounts respectively reserved for such
poses :

For Salaries of Teachers in Ward Schools.....	\$100,000
“ Salaries of Janitors in Ward Schools.....	10,000
“ Payments and Special Appropriations	38,000
“ Incidental Expenses of Ward Schools.....	20,000
“ Support of the Free Academy.....	10,000
“ Supplies through the Depository.....	35,000
“ Rents of School Premises.....	6,000
“ Salaries of Officers of the Board of Educa- tion	6,000
“ Pianos for Ward Schools.....	2,000
“ Apportionment to Corporate Schools.....	17,000
“ Incidental Expenses of the Board of Edu- cation.....	6,000
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	<u>\$250,000</u>

O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, S. J. MONTGOMERY, JACOB C. BOGERT,	} <i>Finance Committee</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board w
agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the aff
ative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Dupignac, J
hill, Kinney, Brennan, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasn
O'Connor, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Vance, McSpe
Connelly, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—23.

Mr. SMITH presented the following report from
Finance Committee, on the condition of the Fund for f
cial Appropriations, which, on motion, was ordered to
entered in full on the Journal :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee respectfully submit herewith

condition of the Fund for Special Appropriations, to date, viz. :

March 2.—	For Saturday Normal School.....	\$1,500 00
"	For heating Ward School No. 33, in Twentieth Ward (additional).....	123 67
"	For site for Ward School No. 9, and Primary School No. 35, in Twenty- second Ward.....	13,000 00
April 6.—	For erecting wings to Ward School- House No. 5, in Fourteenth Ward.	4,387 00
"	For furnishing Ward School No. 1, in Fourth Ward.....	7,436 00
"	For erecting new Ward School- House in West Twentieth street, Sixteenth Ward.....	61,229 00
"	For erecting new Ward School- House in East Twenty-third street, Eighteenth Ward.....	58,904 00
"	For furnishing Ward School No. 8, in Eighth Ward.....	5,987 00
"	For sundry bills in erecting Primary School-House No. 41, Twelfth Ward.....	607 67
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		\$154,174 34
Less, amount "set apart".....		165 30
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Total excess of appropriations over amount set apart.....		\$154,009 04
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O. P. SMITH,
JEREMIAH WELCH,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
S. J. MONTGOMERY,
JACOB C. BOGERT, }

*Finance
Committee.*

NEW YORK, April 20, 1864.

Mr. VANCE presented a report from the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books, to whom was referred the resolution to add "Brown's Grammar with Analysis" to the list of books furnished to the schools, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Brown's Grammar, as revised by Henry Kiddle, be added to the list of books supplied to the schools under the control of this Board.

SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,	} <i>Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.</i>
HENRY P. WEST,	
JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,	
FREDERICK SMYTH,	

Mr. HAYES moved that said report be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows : -

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Murphy, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Boice, Koster, Hayes, McSpedon, Connelly, Lieber, Fairchild—16.

Nays—Messrs. Heath, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Farr, Brown, West, Smith, Vance, Miller, Smyth—11.

Mr. WEST presented a report from the Committee on By-laws, Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred the resolution limiting the number of teachers employed in the Grammar Schools and Primary Schools under the control of this Board (*Journal*, page 64), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Article XII. of the By-laws be amended by adding the following section :

"No salary shall be paid to any teacher hereafter appointed by the Board of Trustees in any Ward, unless the average attendance of pupils is equal to thirty to each teacher in a Grammar School, and equal to forty-five to each teacher in a Primary School (exclusive of the principals and teachers of special subjects), based upon the sworn returns made by the principal for the year ending December 31st next preceding, except that, in case of an increase of pupils in any school, the salaries of additional teachers for said school may be paid, provided that the principal thereof certifies to the Board of Education the average attendance of scholars for the sixty school days next preceding, showing an increased attendance of pupils in said school equal to the average aforesaid for each additional teacher ; and, also, provided that the averages

in the Grammar Schools and Primary Schools in the Ward are equal to the averages aforesaid."

HENRY P. WEST,	} Committee on
WILSON SMALL,	
A. J. KASMIRE,	
F. SMYTH,	
	By-Laws,
	Rules and
	Regulations.

Mr. SMYTH moved that the consideration of said report be postponed and made the special order at the next meeting, after the third order of business.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Horan, Farr, Perley, Koster, Hayes, Murray, Roosevelt, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Smyth—15.

Nays—Messrs. Maher, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Adams, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Boice, Brown, West, Smith, Hastie, Lieber, Fairchild—19.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved that the report be recommitted to the Committee on By-Laws, Rules and Regulations.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution presented by the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. FAIRCHILD presented a report from the Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the communication from John C. Graff, appealing from the action of the Board of School Officers of the Twelfth Ward, in dismissing him from the Principalship of Ward School No. 46, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the dismissal of John C. Graff from the Principalship of Ward School No. 46, in the Twelfth Ward, by the Board of School Officers of said Ward, is justifiable only as a measure of expediency ; but his reputation as a teacher or a gentleman is not injured thereby, nor does said

dismissal in any way disqualify him for any similar position which he may be called to occupy.

B. P. FAIRCHILD, } Committee on
OWEN KINNEY, } Appeals —
WM. J. O'CONNOR, }

Mr. HORAN presented a report from the minority of said Committee, to whom was referred the communication from John C. Graff, appealing from the action of the Board of School Officers of the Twelfth Ward, in dismissing him from the Principalship of Ward School No. 46, in said Ward, and recommending the following resolution as a substitute for the resolution offered by the majority of the Committee :

Resolved, That there was no just cause for the removal of John C. Graff from the Principalship of Ward School No. 46, in the Twelfth Ward, by the Board of School Officers of said Ward, and that the said John C. Graff be and he is hereby restored to the Principalship of said school with pay from the date of said dismissal, as if no dismissal had taken place.

JAMES F. HORAN,
A minority of the Committee on Appeals.

Mr. HASTIE moved that the resolution presented by the minority of the Committee on Appeals be adopted.

Mr. McSPEDON moved that the two reports be recommitted to the Committee on Appeals.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. McSPEDON, and it was decided in the negative.

[Mr. BOGERT moved that the time of the present session be extended until half-past 8 o'clock.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.]

Mr. SMYTH moved that the whole subject be referred to a Special Committee of Five, to investigate the entire matter, and that said Committee be empowered to consult the Counsel usually employed by this Board, as to the right of a Board of School Officers to remove a teacher.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

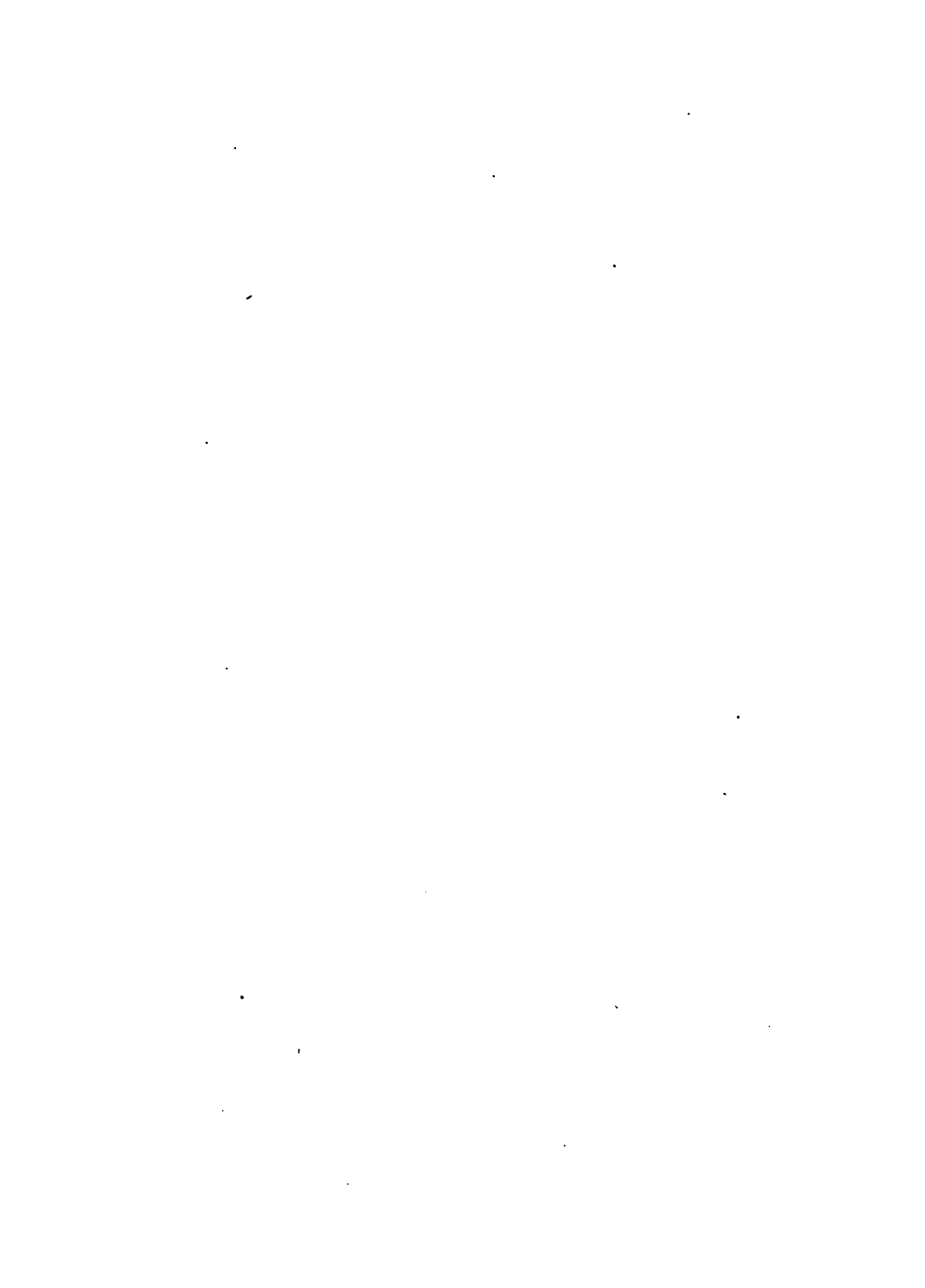
Mr. **VANCE** moved that the resolution presented by the minority of the Committee be amended by substituting therefor the following :

Resolved, That the removal of John C. Graff from the Principalship of Ward School No. 46, in the Twelfth Ward, by the Board of School Officers of said Ward, was not in accordance with the requirements of the Statute and By-laws of the Board, and is therefore illegal, and of no effect, and the said John C. Graff is entitled to his position as Principal of said school.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. **TUTHILL**, the Board then adjourned.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Maher, Patten, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—33.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Huggins, Horan, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Adams, Jackson, McLaughlin, Neilson—11.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following certified copy of the Act, entitled "An Act relative to Common Schools in the city of New York," passed April 25, 1864 :

AN ACT RELATIVE TO COMMON SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, PASSED APRIL 25, 1864; THREE FIFTHS BEING PRESENT.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. The city of New York is hereby divided into seven School Districts, as follows :

First District—First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Eighth Wards.

Second District—Seventh, Tenth, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Wards.

Third District—Ninth and Sixteenth Wards.

Fourth District—Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards.

Fifth District—Fifteenth and Eighteenth Wards.

Sixth District—Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards.

Seventh District—Twelfth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-second Wards.

§ 2. At every charter election in the said city, there shall be elected in each School District one Commissioner of Common Schools, who shall take office on the first day of January next after his election, and hold office for the term of three years; and there shall also be elected in each Ward one Trustee of Common Schools, who shall take office on the first day of January next after his election, and hold office for the term of five years; and no School Officer shall hereafter be elected or appointed in the said city except as provided by this act, and no person shall at the same time hold more than one school office.

§ 3. On the second Wednesday in January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, the Mayor of the city shall nominate to the Board of Education one person for each School District as a Commissioner of Common Schools, and the said Board shall appoint or reject each of the persons so nominated. If any of them shall be rejected, the Mayor shall make a new nomination, and shall continue to nominate until seven shall be appointed by the Board. The persons so appointed shall hold office until the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

§ 4. On the third Wednesday in November in every year the Mayor of the city shall nominate to the Board of Education one person for each School District as an Inspector of Common Schools in the District, for the term of three years from and after the first day of January then next. The Board of Education shall, on the first Wednesday in December, vote by yeas and nays upon the appointment of each of the persons nominated; and every person who shall receive the affirmative votes of a majority of the whole Board, shall be appointed. If any of the persons so nominated shall fail to receive the votes of a majority of the whole Board, the Mayor shall make a new nomination, and shall continue to nominate until an appointment shall be made for each District, in the manner and for the term prescribed in this section.

§ 5. If, on the second Wednesday in January next, there shall be in any School District more than two Inspectors

Common Schools in office by popular election, the Board of Education shall select two of them, and such of the said Inspectors as are not selected shall immediately cease to hold office. After such reduction in the number of Inspectors has been made, the Board of Education shall select by lot one of the two Inspectors in each District, in office by popular election, and the Inspector selected shall be an Inspector for the District, and shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which he was elected, and the Inspector not selected shall cease to hold office unless the Board of Education shall appoint him an Inspector for the District, in which case he shall hold office until the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

§ 6. Vacancies in school offices shall be filled as follows: If there shall be less than three Commissioners or three Inspectors in any District, every vacancy shall be filled in the case of a Commissioner until the same can be filled at a charter election; and in the case of an Inspector for the unexpired portion of the term in which the vacancy exists, in the manner provided by this act for the appointment of Inspectors; and if there shall be less than five Trustees in any Ward, every vacancy shall be filled by the Mayor and a majority of the Inspectors for the District in which the Ward is included, until the same can be filled at a charter election. Every vacancy in the office of a Commissioner or Trustee, occurring more than ten days previous to any charter election, shall be filled at the next charter election for the unexpired portion of the term in which the vacancy exists.

§ 7. The elections held by virtue of this act, shall be subject to the same laws and regulations in all respects, so far as the same may be applicable, as those which govern the charter elections in said city; but the ballots for School Officers shall be indorsed "School Officers, Number ,", and deposited in a separate box. Every person voted for to fill a vacancy in a school office shall be designated in the ballot by the word, "To fill a vacancy," written or printed immediately over his name; or, if there be more than one vacancy to be filled, the person to be voted for shall respectively be designated by the words "To fill vacancy of years."

§ 8. Every School Officer shall, at the time of his election or appointment, be a resident of the District or Ward for which he is elected or appointed, and every Trustee removing from the Ward for which he is elected or appointed, and every

School Officer removing from the city, shall thereby vacate his office.

§ 9. The Board of Education shall be judges of the election and qualification of its members.

§ 10. Every person elected or appointed to a school office in said city shall, before entering on the duties of his office, and within fifteen days after the commencement of the term for which he is elected, or from the time of being notified of his appointment to fill a vacancy, take and subscribe, before the Clerk of the Board of Education, the oath of office prescribed by the constitution of this State ; and the school office to which any person who shall omit to take the said oath within the time and in the manner above prescribed, may have been elected or appointed, shall be vacant at and from the expiration of the said fifteen days.

§ 11. The first section of an act entitled, "An Act to amend, consolidate and reduce to one act, the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the city of New York," passed July third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and so much of all other acts heretofore passed as is amendatory of the said section, are hereby repealed ; but this section shall not affect the continuance in office of the present School Officers, nor their powers or duties.

§ 12. The schools in the several Wards shall be classified as Grammar, Primary, and Evening Schools, and teachers for the said schools shall be appointed as follows : Principals and Vice-Principals, by the Board of Education, upon the written nomination of a majority of the Trustees of the Ward, stating that the nomination was agreed to at a meeting of the Board of Trustees at which a majority of the whole number in office was present. Other teachers, and also janitors, shall be appointed by a majority of the Trustees for the Ward at a meeting of the Board of Trustees. Any teacher may be removed by the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the City Superintendent, or of a majority of the Trustees for the Ward, or of a majority of the Inspectors for the District. The Board of Trustees for the Ward, by the vote of a majority of the whole number of Trustees in office, may also remove teachers employed therein other than Principals and Vice-Principals, and may also remove janitors, provided the removal is approved in writing by a majority of the Inspectors for the District ; and provided further, that any teacher so removed shall have a right to appeal to the Board of Education, under

such rules as it may prescribe, and the said Board shall have power after hearing the answer of the Trustees, to reinstate the teacher.

§ 13. Subdivision three of section two of the act entitled, "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce to one act, the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the city of New York," passed July third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, as subsequently amended, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

3. To remove from office any School Officer who shall have been directly or indirectly interested in the furnishing of any supplies or materials, or in the doing of any work or labor, or in the sale or leasing of any real estate, or in any proposal, agreement, or contract for any of these purposes, in any case in which the price or consideration is to be paid, in whole or in part, or directly or indirectly out of any school moneys : or who shall have received, from any source whatever, any commission or other compensation in connection with any of the matters aforesaid ; and any School Officer who shall violate the preceding provisions of this section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, and imprisonment in the city prison not exceeding one year, and shall also be ineligible to any school office. The Board shall also have power to remove from office any School Officer who shall have been guilty of immoral or disgraceful conduct in any matter connected with his official duties, or which tends to discredit his office or the school system. If one or more School Officers or tax-payers of the city of New York shall present a written charge to the Board of Education, accusing any School Officer of a violation of, or a liability to, any of the provisions of this section, it shall be the duty of the said Board to cause the same to be fully investigated. All testimony taken upon any such investigation shall be under oath ; and the Court of Common Pleas shall have power, upon the application of the Board of Education, to compel any witness who may have been duly summoned, to appear and testify before the said Board or any committee thereof.

§ 14. The ninth section of the act entitled, "An act to amend, consolidate, and reduce to one act, the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the city of New York," passed July third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

§ 9. It shall be the duty of the Inspectors of Common Schools, or a majority of them, in their respective districts, to examine in respect to every expense certified as correct by a majority of the Trustees of any Ward in the District, and to audit every such expense which may be just and reasonable; and no expense shall be paid unless audited in this manner. They shall also examine, at least once in every quarter, all the schools in the District, in respect to the punctual and regular attendance of the pupils and teachers, the number, fidelity and competency of the teachers, the studies, progress, order, and discipline of the pupils, the cleanliness, safety, warming, ventilation, and comfort of the school premises; and whether or not the provisions of the school laws, in respect to the teaching of sectarian doctrines, or the use of sectarian books, have been violated, and call the attention of the Trustees, without delay, to every matter requiring immediate action. They shall also, on or before the thirty-first day of December, in each year, make a written report to the Board of Education and to the Board of Trustees, in respect to the condition, efficiency, and wants of the District in respect to schools and school premises.

§ 15. Until the first day of January next, the Inspectors of Common Schools shall have the powers and duties now conferred upon them by law, except that the signature of one inspector shall be sufficient to audit any bill or claim.

§ 16. Subdivision two of section eleven, of the act entitled, "An Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce to one act, the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the city of New York," passed July third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, as subsequently amended, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

2. Under such general rules and regulations as the Board of Education may establish, to examine into the qualifications of persons proposed as teachers in any of the schools under the charge of the Board. Such examination shall be conducted by the City Superintendent of Schools, or such one of his assistants as he may designate, in the presence of at least two Inspectors of Common Schools, who shall be designated for the purpose by the By-Laws of the Board of Education. Licenses shall be granted to those persons found upon such examination to be entitled thereto, which shall be in the form prescribed by the said By-Laws, shall be signed by the City Superintendent, and by at least two Inspectors des-

igned for the purpose, who shall certify that they were present at the examination, and concur in granting the license. The license of any teacher may be revoked for any cause affecting the morality or competency of the teacher, by the written certificate of the City Superintendent, and the written concurrence of two of the Inspectors for the District in which the teacher is employed; but no such action shall be taken until at least ten days' previous notice has been allowed; nor shall it take effect until such certificate of revocation has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, and a copy served upon the teacher. It shall be the duty of the City Superintendent to re-examine any teacher upon the written request of any two Inspectors of the District, or three Trustees of the Ward, in which the teacher is employed. Any teacher whose license has been revoked as aforesaid, may appeal to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, within ten days after service of a copy of the certificate of revocation by the service of a written notice of appeal upon the City Superintendent, and in case such appeal is taken, the teacher shall not be disqualified until the revocation is confirmed by the State Superintendent. The City Superintendent, in his annual report to the Board of Education, shall include a list of the licenses granted and revoked by him.

§ 17. Section twenty-three of the act entitled "An act to amend, consolidate and reduce to one act, the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the city of New York," passed July third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 23. The Board of Education may, with the consent of a majority of the Trustees for the Ward, or without such consent, by a vote of two thirds of the Board of Education, discontinue any Grammar, Primary, Evening, or Colored School; and the said Board may also authorize the establishment of a new school, upon the written application of a majority of the Trustees for the Ward. It shall be the duty of the Board of Education to decide finally upon every such application within thirty-five days after the same is presented to it; and if the said Board shall omit to do so, or shall deny the application, and a majority of the Inspectors for the District shall certify that there is probable cause for granting the application, the Trustees may appeal to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, whose decision in the matter shall be binding upon all the parties; and if adverse to the application,

the same shall not be renewed during the term of one year next thereafter.

§ 18. The seventh section of the act entitled "An act to amend, consolidate and reduce to one act, the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the city of New York," passed July third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, as subsequently amended, and subdivision four, of section eight, of the same act, are hereby repealed, but this section shall not take effect until the first day of January next.

§ 19. The second subdivision of the tenth section of the act entitled, "An act to amend, consolidate and reduce to one act, the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the city of New York," passed July third, eighteen hundred and fifty-one, as subsequently amended, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

2. Under such general rules and regulations, and subject to such limitations, as the Board of Education may prescribe : to conduct and manage the said schools ; to furnish all needful supplies therefor, and to make all needful repairs, alterations and additions in and to the school premises.

§ 20. The Commissioners, Inspectors, and Trustees, elected or appointed in pursuance of the provisions of this Act shall respectively possess and exercise the powers and duties which the Commissioners, Inspectors, and Trustees of Common Schools now lawfully possess and exercise, except as herein otherwise provided.

§ 21. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. }

I have compared the preceding with the original law on file in this office, and do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original law.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at the City of Albany, this 29th day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

ERASTUS CLARK,

Deputy Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. WEST—

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby directed to have the Laws relative to Common Schools i

the City of New York codified so as to embrace the Act passed April 25, 1864, and submitted to this Board, the cost therefor to be paid on the approval of the Auditing Committee, and that the said Act, as passed, be printed as a separate document. (*Document No. 5.*)

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Barnes & Burr, and others, contractors for supplies, asking that interest be allowed upon all unpaid amounts where contracts have been complied with.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Supplies.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a memorial from one hundred and three Principals, Vice-Principals, and others, teachers in the schools under the care of the Board, praying the Board “to place Brown’s English Grammar, with Kiddle’s Analysis, on the list of books authorized to be used in the schools under the care of the Board.”

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and Schol Books.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from C. R. Ralph, relative to his salary as First Assistant in Male Department of Grammar School No. 34, Thirteenth Ward, for the month of December, 1863, January and February, and part of March, 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

OBJECTIONS BY THE PRESIDENT TO SIGNING WARRANTS.

The PRESIDENT stated his objections to signing warrants in payment of sundry bills, for the reasons hereinafter stated, which were severally disposed of, as follows :

Exceeding the Amount allowed by the Resolutions of the Board.

M. E. Brown & Co., printing and binding Manual for the Seventh Ward.....	\$96 10
James B. Adriance, for repairing piano in Ward School No. 38, in the Eighth Ward.....	50 00

Unusual Expenditures.

N. P. Henderson, for materials for merit-rolls for Seventh Ward	\$30 25
J. H. Fanning, for gilt frames for merit-rolls for Seventh Ward	13 75

Excessive Expenditures.

Smith & Lounsbery, for carpeting Ward School No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward	\$250 00
W. C. Lester, repairing furnaces, &c., in the Twentieth Ward, as follows :	
Ward School No. 32	48 12
“ “ 33	67 79
“ “ 48	737 55
Primary School No. 27... ..	111 25

On motion—

Ordered, That said bills be referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. McSPEDON—

Resolved, That the Committee on By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, be and they hereby are requested to revise the present By-Laws of this Board at their earliest possible convenience, in conformity with the requirements of the Act passed April 25, 1864, in reference to Common Schools in the city of New York, and present the same to this Board for approval.

On motion of Mr. O'CONNOR—

Resolved, That the action of the Board of Trustees of the

Eleventh Ward, in excusing the absence of Miss Elizabeth Howland, a teacher in Grammar School No. 22, from the twenty-third day of February to the twenty-sixth day of April, be and the same is hereby confirmed, said absence having been caused by severe illness.

On motion of Mr. VANCE—

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby directed to sign no warrants in payment of bills for carpets or other floor covering for Public School buildings which may be contracted by any Board of Trustees of Common Schools after the passage of this resolution.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolution be transmitted by the Clerk to all the Boards of Trustees in the city.

Mr. SMITH offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign a warrant in favor of Edwin H. Crandall, for ninety dollars (\$90), being for services rendered as a teacher in Ward School No. 45, in the Sixteenth Ward, for the months of February and March last past, at forty-five dollars (\$45) a month, under a temporary appointment, said teacher having since been permanently appointed to said position by the Trustees of said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

On motion of Mr. HASTIE—

Resolved, That pending the decision of the Board of Education on the removal of any Teacher by a Board of Trustees, and after such decision, if such decision shall be adverse to the action of a Board of Trustees, the annual salary of such Teacher shall not be decreased without the consent of this Board.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, The School Officers of the Nineteenth Ward

did by authority from this Board, lease premises in Forty-first street, for a term of three years, at an annual rent of three hundred dollars (\$300) ; and

Whereas, The building is not now occupied for school purposes (the school formerly held in said building having been transferred to Grammar School No. 27), and the said lease having one year yet to run, and the School Officers of said Ward having agreed to pay the owner of said building the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) to be released from the obligation of said lease ; therefore

Resolved, That the action of the School Officers of the Nineteenth Ward, in relation to a release from the obligation of a lease of premises in Forty-first street in said Ward, be referred to the Committee on Buildings, with power.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said preamble and resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. SMITH—

Resolved, That the award of contract for carpenter's work on the School building to be erected in West Twentieth street, Sixteenth Ward, be and the same is hereby referred to the Finance Committee, with power, provided said contract is awarded to the lowest bidder, who had offered proposals for said carpenter's work.

Mr. KASMIRE offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby requested to sign the warrant for salary for Miss Emeline Hook, a teacher in Boys' Department of Grammar School No. 20, for absence during the month of March, 1864, said absence arising from sickness.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

Mr. MURRAY offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of School Buildings be and he is hereby authorized to cause a partition to be put between the galleries of the Primary Department of Ward

School No. 10, in the Fifteenth Ward, provided the cost of the same does not exceed two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), and that the work be done through the Shop, and also provided that the said sum be deducted from the apportionment to said Ward, for repairs, &c., for the year 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Buildings with power.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. KINNEY presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills, for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

Macoy & Herwig, stationery for Clerk's Office....	\$103 50
Baptist & Taylor, printing, binding, and lettering 3,250 copies, of the Manual for 1864, printing blank contracts, circulars, &c.....	2,296 50
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for check and postage stamps, for Clerk's and City Superintendent's offices, cartage, express charges, sundries, &c., from April 20th to May 4th.....	116 10
Francis Melville, engrossing resolutions.....	60 00
O. H. Gager, sprinkling streets in front of Hall of the Board one month, ending May 1.....	4 32

OWEN KINNEY, THOMAS BROWN, O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. MURRAY offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That Article XII., section 63, of the By-Laws, page 106, of Manual, 1864, be amended as follows :

By inserting after the word "music," on fifth line of said section, the following words : "and a teacher of phonetics," and, after the word "year," on the seventh line, the following words : "each teacher."

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. TUTHILL, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Patten, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—36.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Horan, Perley, Boice, McLaughlin, Neilson—8.

READING OF THE JOURNAL AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

A communication was presented from the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating Mary E. Dunican, First Assistant in Primary School No. 38, as Principal of Primary School No. 15, at an annual salary of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750), to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Caroline S. Whitlock.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. ADAMS presented a communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Robert H. Ellis to fill the vacancy in the office of Trustee now existing in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

Mr. JACKSON presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, relative to the removal by the Board of School Officers of said Ward, of John C. Graff, from the position of Principal of Ward School No. 46, and the appointment of Stinson McIver to fill the place thus vacated, and transmitting a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees, confirming the action of said Board of School Officers.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from his Honor the Mayor, transmitting a letter from the President of the Italian Benevolent Society of Union and Fraternity of New York, asking the use of one of the Public School buildings, for meetings for educational purposes.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Agnes A. Reilly, appealing from the action of the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, in removing her from her position as Twelfth Assistant in Primary Department of Grammar School No. 13, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John C. Graff, together with a bill amounting to three hundred eighty-five dollars and ninety-two cents (\$385 92),

services as Principal of Ward School No. 46, in the Twelfth Ward, from February 8, 1864, to May 1, 1864, two months twenty-one days, at one thousand seven hundred dollars (1700) per annum, and stating that he had presented said to the Trustees of said Ward, and they had refused to t. the same.

connection with said communication, Mr. HASTIE proposed for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are by authorized to draw a warrant in favor of John C. Graft, three hundred and eighty-five dollars and ninety-two cents (\$392), being the amount of his salary as Principal of Ward School No. 46, in the Twelfth Ward, for two months, twenty-one days, from February 8, to May 1, 1864, said to be deducted from the amount apportioned to said Twelfth Ward, for the payment of Teachers' salaries for the 1864.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved to amend said resolution by adding to the words following, viz. : " whenever the same is certified to be correct by a majority of the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Patten, Heath, Kintney, Brennan, Carey, Carson, Koster, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Fairchild.

Nays—Messrs. O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Brown, Cass, West, Roosevelt, Smith, Miller, Hayward, Hastie, Smer, Smyth—20.

Mr. SMYTH moved that said communication and resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Murphy, O'Donnell, Kinney, Carey, Adams, Farr, Jackson, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—21.

Nays—Messrs. Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Small, Welch, Kaamire, Brown, Hastie—8.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John C. Graff, representing that he had been notified by the Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, said notification bearing date 29th of April, 1864, that he was removed from the position of Principal of Ward School No. 46, in said Ward, on the date thereof; and that said Board has no power to make such removal, as said power is vested in the Board of Education, under section 12 of the Act in relation to Common Schools in the city of New York, passed April 25, 1864; and notifying the Board of Education that he is still the Principal of said School, and protesting against the payment of any other person for services as such Principal.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Objections by the President to signing Warrants.

The PRESIDENT stated his objections to signing warrants in payment of sundry bills, which were severally disposed of, as follows:

From 1st Ward—P. O'Shea, for printing and binding Manuals.....	\$53 39
“ 11th Ward—Folger & Turner, for binding By-Laws, &c.....	56 50
“ 12th Ward—D. Houston, five bills, for stoves and repairing stoves.....	411 78
“ 15th Ward—Edward O. Jenkins, for binding Manuals.....	45 00
“ 16th Ward—Nathaniel Johnson, for desks...	256 00
“ 17th Ward—Schuetze & Ludolff, for repairing and tuning pianos.....	66 50

From 19th Ward—Jonathan Youdale, for printing and binding Manuals.....	\$60 00
“ 19th Ward—B. W. Merriam, for gilt frames	13 50
“ 19th Ward—A. Bumiller, for gilt frames...	15 75
“ 8th Ward—For extra work under contracts for erecting Ward School Building No. 8, in Eighth Ward, viz. :	
L. W. Armstrong, mason- work.....	888 10
Tuomey & Elder, heating ap- paratus.....	195 00
Charles B. Cornell, painting- work.....	125 00

On motion—

Ordered, That said bills be referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. ROOSEVELT offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, Complaints have been made to the officers of the Board of Education and to Commissioners, that improper means have been resorted to on the part of some of the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, or persons acting as their agents, to obtain money from teachers and others in the employ of the Board of Trustees of said Ward ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That a special Committee be appointed to examine into the facts and circumstances of the case, and that they report their conclusions to this Board, said Committee to consist of the Chairman of the Committee on By-Laws, Finance, Course of Studies and School-Books, Teachers, Elections and Qualifications, Free Academy, and Supplies, respectively.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and preamble, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. O'DONNELL offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, in excusing the absence of Miss Frances Troy, of Primary School No. 14, for the months of March and April, be and the same is hereby confirmed.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

C. H. Westcott & Co., printing pamphlets, circulars, notices, Journals, Documents, &c., from March 30, to May 17, 1864.....	\$591 86
Thomas Boese, cash paid for check and postage stamps for Clerk and Superintendent's offices, cartage, express charges, law expenses, and sundries, from May 4 to May 18, 1864.....	98 50
Burton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's office.....	106 11
Francis Melville, engrossing complimentary resolutions.....	60 00
Alex. H. Keech, printing and binding 750 copies of the new School Law, and 500 circulars.....	49 50

WALTER W. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
ORLANDO P. SMITH,	
OWEN KINNEY,	
THOMAS BROWN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending a requisition on the Comptroller for five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be requested to place with the City Chamberlain the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), subject to the drafts of this Board, on and after this date.

O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, S. J. MONTGOMERY, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JACOB C. BOGERT,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending sundry general appropriations, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sums hereinafter named be appropriated out of the amounts reserved respectively for such purposes, viz. :

For salaries of teachers in Ward Schools.....	\$200,000 00
For salaries of janitors in Ward Schools.....	20,000 00
For Incidental Expenses of Ward Schools.....	50,000 00
For support of the Free Academy.....	20,000 00
For repairs through the Shop.....	9,000 00
For supplies through the Depository.....	25,000 00
For Incidental Expenses of the Board of Education.....	7,000 00
For payments on Special Appropriations, balance of fund reserved for dues in 1863 and 1864	37,256 23
	\$368,256 23

O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey,

Small, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred, with power, the matter of awarding for the second time the contract for the carpenter work on the building to be erected in the Sixteenth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand and seventy-one dollars (\$1,071) be and the same is hereby appropriated in addition to the amount heretofore appropriated, for the erecting of a new Ward School Building in the Sixteenth Ward, and for the purpose of completing the contract for the carpenter's work on said building, made with Wm. Beard, Jr., and subject to the usual provisions in all contracts made for the erection of buildings by authority of this Board.

O. P. SMITH,
JEREMIAH WELCH,
S. J. MONTGOMERY,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
JACOB C. BOGERT,

*Finance
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Heath, O'Donnell, Dupig'rac, Kinney, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Koster, Brown, Hayes, Roosevelt, Smith, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—25.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills of J. H. Fanning for gilt frames, amounting to thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$13 75), and M. B. Brown & Co. for printing and binding manuals, amounting to ninety-six dollars and ten cents (\$96 10), presented for payment by the officers of the Seventh Ward, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the bill of J. H. Fanning, for gilt frames, &c., amounting to thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$13 75), incurred by the officers of the Seventh Ward, be not paid.

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be authorized to sign a warrant in favor of M. B. Brown & Co., for the sum of thirty dollars (\$30), in payment of their bill, amounting to ninety-six dollars and ten cents (\$96 10), incurred by the officers of the Seventh Ward, for printing and binding Manuals for 1864; provided said Brown & Co. give a receipt in full for all claims on account of said bill against this Board.

O. P. SMITH,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
JEREMIAH WELCH,		
S. J. MONTGOMERY,		
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,		
JACOB C. BOGERT,		

Mr. SMALL moved to amend the first resolution aforesaid by striking therefrom the word "not," and that said bills be paid.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Murphy, O'Donnell, Carey, Small, O'Connor, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Murray, Roosevelt, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie—14.

Nays—Messrs. Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, West, Smith, Hayward, Lieber—12.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Murphy, O'Donnell, Carey, Small, O'Connor, Jackson, Koster, Brown, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Lieber—17.

Nays—Messrs. Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Smith, Hayward—10.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of Smith & Lounsbery, for car-

peting furnished the Twentieth Ward, amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be authorized to sign a warrant in favor of Smith & Lounsbery for the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) in payment of bill of carpeting furnished to Ward School No. 33, in the Twentieth Ward, in November, 1863, the amount to be charged to the fund of the said Ward for incidental expenses of 1864.

O. P. SMITH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Mr. HASTIE moved to amend said resolution by striking therefrom the provision that said bill be paid out of the funds authorized to be expended by said Ward, for incidental expenses, and to insert in lieu thereof that the amount be taken from the appropriation for pianos.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. O'Donnell, Dupignac, Carey, Small, O'Connor, Jackson, Koster, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth—13.

Nays—Messrs. Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith—15.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved to amend, by striking out so much of the report of the Committee as reflects on the Committee on School Furniture.

Mr. HASTIE moved further to amend, by striking out the report of the Committee and the following words in the resolution : "the amount to be charged to the fund of the said Ward for incidental expenses of 1864," and that said resolution as amended, be adopted.

Mr. TUTHILL moved the previous question.

The PRESIDENT put the question, "Shall the main question now be put?" which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon—22.

Nays—Messrs. Carey, Jackson—2.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board could agree with the amendment and motion as offered by Mr. HASTIE, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. O'Donnell, Dupignac, Carey, Small, O'Connor, Jackson, Koster, Murray, Roosevelt, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth—15.

Nays—Messrs. Heath, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Brown, West, Smyth—13.

The PRESIDENT decided that the adoption of the amendment of Mr. HASTIE, striking out the entire report, rendered unnecessary the amendment of Mr. HITCHMAN, and also that the adoption of the amendment of Mr. HASTIE, virtually adopted the resolution.

Mr. TUTHILL appealed from the decision of the Chair.

Mr. MILLER moved to lay the appeal on the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. MILLER, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Fourth Ward, relative to renewing the leases of premises occupied by Ward Schools Nos. 1 and 3, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in favor of the owner and lessor of the premises known as No. 74 Oliver

street, Fourth Ward, and occupied by Ward School No. 26, for the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750); and in favor of the owner and lessor of the premises known as No. 33 Rose street, in said Ward, and occupied by Ward School No. 1, for the sum of one thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$1,275), both sums aforesaid to be paid to said owners or lessors, on the first day of August next, provided said owners or lessors sign a receipt in full of all claim or claims as against the School Officers of the Fourth Ward and the Board of Education, including the rent thereof up to the time aforesaid, and in full of all damage or damages that may have been done to said premises, including the rent aforesaid.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} <i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
W. W. ADAMS,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
WM. J. O'CONNOR,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HEATH presented a report from the Committee on Annual Estimate and Apportionment, on the apportionment of the School moneys for 1864, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School moneys for 1864 be apportioned to the several schools entitled to participate therein, according to the annexed schedule, and that a copy thereof be properly authenticated, and filed with the Chamberlain of the City, as required by law.

JAMES F. HORAN,	} <i>Committee on Annual Estimate and Apportionment.</i>
THOMAS BROWN,	
EDWARD B. HEATH,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion—

Ordered, That said report be printed as a document. (*Document No. 6.*)

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward for authority to pay one hundred dollars (\$100) additional per annum for the use of the premises 194 and 196 Seventh street, used by Primary School No. 39, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward be and they are hereby authorized to rehire the premises situated at Nos. 194 and 196 Seventh street, occupied by Primary School No. 39, in said Ward, at an annual rent of one thousand one hundred dollars (\$1,100), for the term of three years, from the first day of May, 1864.

JAMES L. MILLER, W. W. ADAMS, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT, WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR,	}	Committee on Buildings.
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORT FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. McSPEDON presented a report from the Special Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Hon. Anson Herrick, Member of Congress from the Ninth District, tendering to the Board the appointment of a cadet in the United States Naval Academy, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved, That Robert T. Jasper, of the Junior Class of the Free Academy, be recommended to the Hon. Anson Herrick for the appointment, tendered by him to this Board, to the United States Naval Academy.

Resolved, That the Clerk inform Mr. Herrick of the selection made by this Board, and tender to him the thanks of the Board for his generous proposal, so much calculated to

stimulate the honorable efforts of the pupils of the public schools to attain distinction and public reward.

J. M. McLEAN, THOMAS McSPEDON, WM. HITCHMAN, D. S. JACKSON, JR., B. P. FAIRCHILD, FREDERICK SMYTH,	} <i>Special Committee.</i>
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Mr. SMYTH moved that said resolutions be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. HAYES—

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby directed to collect and furnish to the Committee on By-Laws, all the resolutions which relate to or in any manner refer to the By-Laws, and that the Committee on By-Laws be directed to report to this Board suitable amendments to the By-Laws of the Board so as to conform to the resolutions aforesaid.

Mr. HAYES offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby directed to furnish to each of the members of this Board a copy of Jefferson's Manual on Parliamentary Rules.

Mr. McSPEDON moved that said resolution be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That all bills for printing manuals, referred to the Finance Committee this evening, are hereby recalled and passed for payment.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved that said resolution be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. TUTHILL, the Board then adjourned.



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dugnac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Farr, gert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, ster, Brown, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, ller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, urchild—34.

Absent—Commissioners Huggins, Patten, Murphy, Carey, lams, Roosevelt, Murray, Neilson, Connelly, Smyth—10.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

COMMUNICATION FROM WARD OFFICERS.

The PRESIDENT presented a communication from the School Officers of the Twenty-first Ward, asking authority make certain repairs to Ward School-House No. 49, out the funds set apart for repairs in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Twenty-first Ward be and they are hereby authorized to construct a sewer, and do certain other things according to plans prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and heretofore submitted to this Board ; the work to be done under the direction of said Superintendent and the Committee on Buildings ; the expense to be charged to the fund of the Twenty-first Ward, appropriated for current expenses, and that the School Officers of said Ward have authority to use so much said fund as may be necessary for the purpose.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Mr. WELCH presented a communication from the School Officers of the Tenth Ward, asking permission to advertise for proposals for erecting a building on the plot of ground known as Nos. 76 and 78 Hester street, purchased by authority of the Board of Education, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Tenth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposals for the erection and completion on lots Nos. 76 and 78 Hester street, of an addition to Ward School-House No. 42, in said Ward, for the use of the Primary Department of said School, pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid.

On motion of Mr. WELCH—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings, with power.

Mr. MONTGOMERY presented a communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Catharine L. Conart for the position of Principal of the Female Department of Grammar School No. 8, in place of Mary Houseworth, resigned ; Miss Victorine S. Crapser for the position of Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 38, made vacant by the resignation of Catharine L. Conart ; and Miss Lucilla O. Hammersly for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 38, in place of Miss Victorine S. Crapser, promoted ; said appointees to enter on their duties on the first day of May, subject to confirmation by the Board of Education.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. HASTIE presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking to have their action in excusing Mrs. Sarah K. White, Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 33, and Miss Mary W. Lowrey, Assistant Teacher in Male Department of Ward School No. 32, for absence beyond one month, in consequence of sickness, confirmed.

In connection therewith, Mr. HASTIE presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, in excusing Mrs. S. K. White, Principal of the Primary Department No. 33, and Miss Mary W. Lowrey, an Assistant in Grammar School No. 32, on account of severe illness, be and is hereby confirmed.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication and resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John H. Hughes, praying for relief under contract for painting Primary School-House in Monroe street, Seventh Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Managers of the Union Home School, for a donation of such school books as are needed for the children under their care.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Supplies, with power.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That the Board of Education hold a special session on Thursday, June 9, at 5 o'clock, P. M., to consider the report of the Special Committee on the complaints against the officers of the Fourth Ward, and such other unfinished business, or new business, as may be presented at said meeting.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. BROWN presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

James Purcell, linen sheets and fly-nets for horses belonging to the Board.....	\$33 50
Thomas Boese, cash paid for law expenses, check, and postage stamps, cleaning Depository, cartage, express charges, and sundries, from May 18 to June 1.....	131 80
E. Marrenner, repairing stoves in the hall of the Board in February last.....	13 00
Macoy & Herwig, binding pay-rolls, and stationery for Clerk and Superintendent's offices.....	115 75

JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
THOMAS BROWN,	
O. P. SMITH,	
OWEN KINNEY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee to whom was referred the bill of N. P. Henderson, for "procuring materials for merit rolls," for Ward School No. 2, in the Seventh Ward, amounting to thirty dollars and twenty-five cents (\$30 25), and accompanied with the following resolution :

ed, That the President and Clerk be authorized to arrant in favor of N. P. Henderson, for the sum of dollars and twenty-five cents (\$30 25), in payment of or printing slips for merit rolls, &c., dated 4th January.

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PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MR. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, where referred the bills of A. Bumiller and B. W. Ward, for gilt frames furnished the Nineteenth Ward, amounting respectively to fifteen dollars and seventy-five cents, and thirteen dollars and fifty cents (\$13 50), and decided with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the bills of A. Bumiller, amount, fifteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$15 75), and B. W. Merriman, thirteen dollars and fifty cents (\$13 50), incurred by the Nineteenth Ward, for gilt frames, be not

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MR. SMITH moved to amend said resolution by striking out the word "not."

PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would carry said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative. It follows:

-Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Heath, O'Connor, Kinney, Lerley, Jackson, Boice, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, and McSpedon, Hastie—15.

-Messrs. Brennan, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Foster, West, Smith, Vance, Lieber—11.

The **PRESIDENT** then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Heath, Kinney, Small, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Fairchild—18.

Nays—Messrs. Brennan, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasimir, West, Smith, Vance—8.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills of Messrs. Schuetze & Ludloff, for repairing piano and tuning sundry pianos in the Seventeenth Ward, amounting to sixty-six dollars and fifty cents (\$66 50); and of Nathaniel Johnson, for desks furnished Ward School No. 11, in the Sixteenth Ward, amounting to two hundred and fifty-six dollars (\$256), asking to be discharged from the further consideration of such bills.

O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	

Mr. MILLER thereupon presented for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be authorized to sign a warrant in favor of Schuetze & Ludloff for the sum of sixty-six dollars and fifty cents (\$66 50), in payment of their bills for repairing and tuning pianos for the schools in the Seventeenth Ward.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. VANCE, in connection with said subject, also presented for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign a warrant in favor of Nathaniel Johnson, for the sum of two hundred and fifty-six dollars

(\$256); in payment of his bill for desks and seats furnished Ward School No. 11, Sixteenth Ward, the same to be charged to the appropriation made for incidental expenses to that Ward.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the First Ward, nominating Mary E. Dunnican as Principal of Primary School No. 15, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Mary E. Dunnican—nominated by the Board of Trustees of the First Ward for the position of Principal of Primary School 15, in said Ward, having, as appears from the certificate of the Superintendent of Schools, the requisite qualifications for the position—be and she hereby is appointed Principal of the school aforesaid, to take effect from the ninth day of May, 1864.

JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	} Committee on Teachers.
ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	
JAMES F. HORAN,	
CHARLES BOICE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred the communication from C. R. Ralph, relative to his salary as First Assistant Teacher in the Male Department of Grammar School No. 34, in the Thirteenth Ward, for the month of December, 1863, and the months of January, February, and part of the month of March, 1864, and the communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, asking the Board to confirm the appointment of David Price as teacher of Phonetics in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the request of C. R. Ralph to be paid for

Nays—Messrs. O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Brown, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Hastie—18.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the first resolution aforesaid, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Brown, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Hastie—19.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Brennan, Jackson, Koster, Hayes, West, Hitchman, McSpedon, Fairchild—10.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the second resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Brown, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, McSpedon, Hastie—20.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Heath, Kinney, Brennan, Jackson, Koster, Hayes, West, Smith, Hitchman, Fairchild—12.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the third resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Horan, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Brown, Vance, Miller, Hayward, McSpedon, Hastie—19.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Heath, Kinney, Brennan, Koster, Hayes, West, Hitchman, Fairchild—10.

Mr. FAIRCHILD moved that the fourth resolution aforesaid be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

Mr. FARR moved to amend said resolution, by striking therefrom all after the words "By-Laws of this Board."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Fairchild—26.

Nay—Mr. Small—1.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the fourth resolution, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. MILLER presented for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the action of the School Officers of the Seventeenth Ward, in excusing Mary E. Crowe, Teacher in Primary School No. 26, in consequence of severe illness, be approved.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.

1917-18. The first of these was the year 1917-18, when the total catch was 1,000 tons. This was a record for the fishery, and was due to a combination of factors, including a high level of effort and a high level of stock.

The second of the three years was 1918-19, when the catch was 800 tons. This was also a high level of catch, and was due to similar factors to those mentioned above. The third of the three years was 1919-20, when the catch was 600 tons. This was a lower level of catch, and was due to a combination of factors, including a lower level of effort and a lower level of stock.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1864.

SPECIAL SESSION.

The Board was convened in pursuance of the following resolution, adopted at the session held on the 1st instant :

Resolved, That the Board of Education hold a special meeting on Thursday, June 9, at 5 o'clock, P. M., to consider the report of the Special Committee on the complaint against the officers of the Fourth Ward, and such other unfinished business or new business as may be presented at said meeting.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Maher, Horan, Patten, Heath, Murphy, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—36.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Huggins, Kinney, Brown, Roosevelt, McLaughlin, Neilson, Lieber—8.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Ordered, That the reading of the Journal of the last session be dispensed with.

REPORT FROM A SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. MILLER presented the following report from the Special Committee appointed to investigate certain charges against several Trustees of the Fourth Ward :

To the Board of Education :

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the following preamble and resolution, adopted at a stated session of the Board, May 18, 1864—

Whereas, Complaints having been made to the officers of the Board of Education and to Commissioners, that improper means have been resorted to on the part of some of the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, or persons acting as their agents, to obtain money from teachers and others in the employ of the Board of Trustees of said Ward : therefore be it

Resolved, That a Special Committee be appointed to examine into the facts and circumstances of the case, and that they report their conclusions to this Board ; said Committee to consist of the Chairman of the Committee on By-Laws, Finance, Course of Studies and School Books, Elections and Qualifications, and Supplies, respectively,

Respectfully report :

That they immediately organized and elected Commissioner JAMES L. MILLER, Chairman, and authorized said Chairman to summon all persons to appear before the Committee, whose testimony was required to make a thorough investigation of the complaint referred to in the preamble and resolution aforesaid. The Clerk was also directed to notify all the School Officers of the Fourth Ward of the times at which such investigation would be conducted.

The Committee held its first meeting on the 20th day of May, and held several meetings thereafter. Every member of the Committee was present, and they were attended by the School Officers of the Fourth Ward, a majority of whom, and Mr. John White, Principal of Ward School No. 26, were represented by counsel.

The Committee thereupon designated Mr. Thomas Boesé, Clerk of the Board, to conduct the examination. Thirty-four witnesses were examined under oath, their testimony was carefully taken down by a stenographic reporter, and is hereto annexed, and forms part of this report.

Your Committee, when they entered on the discharge of their onerous duties, did not place much dependence on the prevalent rumors of gross dereliction of duty on the part of most of the School Officers of the Fourth Ward, and were confident that the investigation would prove them to be untrue or grossly exaggerated. But the Committee were grievously disappointed. The testimony shows that early in the present year a perfect system was inaugurated by a majority of the Trustees of the Ward, to extort money from School Teachers and others in their employ. It appears that Jeremiah Murphy, Daniel Healy, Jeremiah Coughlin, James White, John H.

Lester, Trustees, and Felix Murphy, School Commissioner, constituting a majority of the Board of Trustees, formed themselves into a "ring," to manage the school affairs of the Ward. They elected Jeremiah Murphy, Chairman, Jeremiah Coughlin, Secretary, and appointed John White, Principal of Grammar School No. 26, as Clerk.

It appears that a new School-House is in course of erection in Vandewater street, in said Ward, to take the place of Grammar Schools Nos. 1 and 26, which will necessitate the discharge of some teachers, or place them in a lower position. The teachers all wanted to be appointed to the new school, and, as all could not be, the "ring" seems to have been formed for the purpose of giving the positions sought for to the highest bidders. Their clerk was selected as their "agent," to whom teachers were expected to apply to ascertain upon what terms they could get an appointment. The evidence shows that the "agent" performed his duty with alacrity and with a heartlessness worthy of his employers. It appears that he not only summoned the teachers to come to him, but that he called on their parents and friends as to the amount they should pay for their appointments—the sums varying from fifty to six hundred dollars, (\$50 to \$600), according to the position sought. When it was stated that the amount could not be paid at once, on account of the poverty of the teacher, the "agent" agreed to take it in instalments. When they declined to pay, information was given that no teachers would be appointed unless they paid for it, and when asked by a teacher who hesitated to pay the amount fixed by the "agent," if he had any objection to his (the teacher) going to the Trustees, he stated that he had none, and that the teacher did see the Trustees, and came back to the "agent" and paid a portion of the amount fixed.

It appears from the testimony, that the agent was perfectly familiar with the amount of "school tax" to be levied by the "ring," whether it was on a male teacher or female teacher, Principal or subordinate. His knowledge and power in the premises appear to have been complete and final. It also appears in the testimony, that teachers, both male and female, went to see members of the "ring," that the "ring" entertained "propositions" from them, in some instances recommended the payment of the amount demanded by their "agent," and, in others, designated an associate Trustee, who had the "say" on the subject, with an admonition to pay the

amount he might name. On an application made to one of the "ring," he, after listening to the pleading, and witnessing the tears of a female teacher, charitably stated that he would return her his share of the "tax." While the Chairman of the Board of Trustees was willing "to go for what his associates of the 'ring' agreed to," for appointing a favorite of his to a high position, when charged with appointing teachers for money, he excused it by saying that "it had been done before."

It appears that the teachers throughout the Ward, and a great number of the citizens, were aware of the fact that positions had to be paid for, and that this "ring" was to receive the money through their "agent," that the School Officers of the Ward in no way endeavored to remove the impression on the part of teachers and citizens, of improper conduct on their part, or to have the subject investigated, with the single exception of School Commissioner Arthur O'Donnell, against whom the bitterest feeling is exhibited by the "ring." It also appears that William P. Kirk and Charles Kelly, two Trustees of the Ward, did accept money from school teachers for appointments; that Thomas Gibbons, Bernard Ryan, John Halpin, and John H. Knaebel, teachers in said Ward, have given money to the Trustees or their "agent," for their appointments as teachers, and in other respects acted in a manner discreditable to them as teachers, so much so as to render them unfit to occupy their positions.

The testimony is very voluminous, exceeding three hundred folios, and was given, with few exceptions, by very unwilling witnesses. The Committee, in coming to their decision, were satisfied that some of the witnesses prevaricated greatly, and, in more than one instance, testified falsely.

The Committee, in conclusion, are constrained to say that the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, with the exception of Commissioner Arthur O'Donnell and Trustee F. Joseph Klein, have acted in a manner that brings lasting injury and disgrace on our school system and our city, and particularly on the citizens of the Fourth Ward, whose children are suffering through the gross mismanagement of these corrupt public servants, who have violated their oath of office and the common feelings of humanity. Slight atonement may be made for the injury done by these bad men, to the educational and moral welfare of the children of our city, by this Board removing them forthwith from their positions, and the District Attorney of our city speedily bringing the matter before the Grand Jury, for their action.

The Committee, in accordance with the requirements of the solutions submitted to them, and after a careful examination of the testimony, have unanimously come to the following conclusions, and report them, together with the testimony taken, to the Board for its action :

1. That Jeremiah Murphy, James White, Jeremiah Coughlin, Daniel Healy, John H. Lester, Charles Kelly, and William P. Kirk, Trustees of Common Schools in the Fourth Ward, and Felix Murphy, Commissioner of Common Schools in said Ward, have been guilty of disgraceful conduct in the matters connected with their official duties as School Officers.

2. That John White, Thomas Gibbons, Bernard C. Ryan, John H. Knaebel, and John Halpin, have acted in a manner disreputably and discredibly to themselves as teachers, and to the cause of public education.

The Committee, therefore, recommend the following resolutions to the Board for adoption :

Resolved, That Jeremiah Murphy, Daniel Healy, John H. Lester, William P. Kirk, James White, Jeremiah Coughlin, and Charles Kelly, School Trustees in the Fourth Ward, and Felix Murphy, School Commissioner and *ex officio* Trustee in said Ward, all and each of them, be and they hereby are removed from the office of School Officers in and for the said Fourth Ward, for disgraceful conduct in matters connected with their official duties, and that the Clerk be and he hereby directed to strike the name of said Felix Murphy from the roll of members of this Board.

Resolved, That John White, Principal of Ward School No. 3, in the Fourth Ward, Thomas Gibbons, Bernard C. Ryan, and John H. Knaebel, Assistant Teachers in said School, and John Halpin, Assistant Teacher in Ward School No. 1, in said Ward, having acted disreputably and discredibly to themselves as teachers, forfeit their right to teach in the schools, and that the President and Clerk be and they hereby be directed to sign no warrants for services hereafter rendered by any of the aforesaid teachers in the Schools under the control of this Board ; and that the evidence, so far as it relates to the conduct of teachers in the Fourth Ward, be transmitted to the City Superintendent of Schools for his action.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and he hereby

is directed to transmit a certified copy of this report to the District Attorney of this city, and that he be requested to submit the same to the Grand Jury for their action.

JAMES L. MILLER,
HENRY P. WEST,
JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
O. P. SMITH,
FREDERICK SMYTH,

*Special Committee
on Complaint
against Trustees
of Fourth Ward.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Horan, Patten, Heath, O'Donnel, Dupignac, Tuthill, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, McLean, Smyth, Fairchild—34

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr BOGERT, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Jennett, Horan, Patten, Heath, Dupignac, Tut-hill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber—31.

Absent—Commissioners Maher, Huggins, O'Donnell, Carey, Adams, Jackson, Boice, Roosevelt, McLaughlin, Connelly, Smyth, Fairchild—12.

READING OF THE JOURNAL, AND THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the session held June 1st was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATION FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. MONTGOMERY presented a communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, relative to the expenses incurred in repairing two pianos, one in Male Department of Ward School No. 8, and the other in the Female Department of Ward School No. 38, in said Ward, accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the bill of James B. Adriance, amounting to fifty dollars (\$50), for repairing a piano in the Female Department of Ward School No. 38, in the Eighth Ward,

be withdrawn from the Finance Committee, and the President and Clerk be authorized to sign a warrant in payment thereof; and that the President and Clerk be also authorized to sign a warrant in payment of the bill of J. L. Bedell, amounting to fifty dollars (\$50), for repairing a piano in the Male Department of Ward School No. 8, in said Ward, provided both bills aforesaid are properly audited by a majority of the Trustees and both Inspectors of said Eighth Ward; said bills to be charged to the fund for the incidental support of Schools in said Ward.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MONTGOMERY presented a communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, inviting the members of the Board of Education to attend the opening exercises of the Female Department of the new Ward School No. 8, in said Ward, on Wednesday, the 29th day of June instant, at 10 o'clock, forenoon.

On motion—

Ordered, That said invitation be accepted.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Wm. P. Kirk, formerly Trustee in the Fourth Ward, from which position he was removed by the Board of Education, asking further investigation in his case.

Mr. FARR moved that the Committee heretofore appointed to investigate the affairs of the Fourth Ward local Board be constituted a Standing Committee on Investigation for the balance of the year, and that the communication aforesaid, be referred to said Committee.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved to amend said motion by striking ~~therefrom~~ all relating to making said Committee a Standing Committee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. HITCHMAN, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Montgomery, Welch, Kasimire, O'Connor, Perley, Hayes, Vance, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie—11.

Nays—Messrs. Horan, Patten, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Farr, Bogert, Koster, Brown, West, Murray, Smith, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Lieber—19.

Mr. HITCHMAN then moved to amend the motion of Mr. FARR, by adding thereto the words : “and that said communication be printed at length in the papers employed by this Board.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the original motion of Mr. FARR, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the citizens of the Fourth Ward, asking that Mr. John Halpin, formerly Vice-Principal in Ward School No. 1, in said Ward, be restored to his position.

Mr. HAYES moved that said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. FARR moved as an amendment, that said communication be referred to the Committee on Investigation.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. FARR, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Charles Kelly, formerly Trustee of the Fourth Ward, from which position he was removed by the Board of Education, asking further investigation in his case.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Investigation.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Lewis H. Miner, Inspector of Common Schools for the Twelfth Ward, relative to the alleged fraudulent appointment of a Janitor for Primary School No. 30, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Investigation.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from T. W. Kennedy, relative to his dismissal by the School Board of the Twelfth Ward, from the position of First Assistant Teacher in Grammar School No. 43, in said Ward, on the 4th day of October, 1861.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from Commissioner ARTHUR O'DONNELL, of the Fourth Ward :

69 DUANE STREET,
NEW YORK, June 11, 1864. }

JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq.,

President of the Board of Education :

DEAR SIR : Having been advised by my physician to cross the Atlantic on account of my health, I wish to inform you that I leave to-day, and will probably be absent until the first of September next.

Yours respectfully,

ARTHUR O'DONNELL.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved that the absence of Commissioner O'DONNELL from the sessions of this Board until the 1st of September next, be excused.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Michael J. O'Donnell, Secretary of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum for Boys, inviting the members of the Board to attend the annual exhibition of said institution, to be held in the Asylum in Fifth avenue, between Fifty-first and Fifty-second streets, on Thursday, the 16th instant, at 3 o'clock, afternoon.

On motion—

Ordered, That said invitation be accepted, and the communication be placed on file.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Henry D. Marchant and Edward K. Orrell, Directors of the Murray Hill Mission and Industrial School, asking a donation of second-hand books, &c., for the use of said school.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Supplies, with power.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Alexander H. Coulter, praying for relief as a contractor in building two School-Houses, one in Grand street and one in Vandewater street.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Messrs. CHARLES PERLEY, Jr., and WM. J. O'CONNOR, Commissioners from the Eleventh Ward, relative to the alleged unlawful appointment of a Vice-Principal in Primary School No. 5, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Objections by the President to signing Warrants.

The PRESIDENT stated his objections to signing a warrant in payment of the following bill for the reason hereinafter stated, which was referred to the Finance Committee :

Bill requiring an Appropriation before Payment.

A H. Clinton, bill of extra work under his contract for erecting Ward School-House No. 8, in the Fifth Ward. \$433 92

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. BARNYAN offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, From intimations which have lately appeared in several of the public papers of this city, it may be inferred that there exists a reprehensible character to those recently exposed as having existed in the Fourth Ward, may also have existed in other Wards; and

That the honor and reputation of all interested in our commonwealth with our public schools should be not only well maintained, but even above suspicion; therefore be it

Resolved, That the same Committee that lately investigated the corruptions of the Fourth Ward, be and they are hereby authorized to extend their investigation to all the other Wards, from the First to the Twenty-second Ward inclusive, when a complaint is brought before said Committee, and when teachers, masters, school officers, contractors, and other persons, whose evidence may be deemed essential to this end, may be required to appear before said Committee, and testify to the matters relative to their connection with the public schools of this city.

Objection having been made to said preamble and resolution.

Mr. BARNYAN moved a suspension of the Rules for the purpose of reconsidering the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. FARR, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. FARR then moved that said preamble and resolution be adopted.

Mr. NEILSON moved to amend by striking therefrom entirely the preamble.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, West, Smith, Vance, Neilson, Lieber—9.

Nays—Messrs. Horan, Heath, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Hayes, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie—14.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved to amend the resolution aforesaid, by adding thereto the words : “ but all investigation shall be based upon communications first presented to this Board.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HITCHMAN moved that the vote, by which the amendment aforesaid was adopted, be reconsidered.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. HITCHMAN, which had just been reconsidered, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the original preamble and resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. SMALL—

Resolved, That the new Primary School recently established on Monroe street, in the Seventh Ward, be numbered Primary School No. 36, the Primary School heretofore bearing that number having been consolidated with Grammar School No. 27, in the Nineteenth Ward.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That all Teachers now employed in the Ward Schools of this city, having a full certificate or license to teach, from the State Superintendent, be recognized as Teachers of Grade A, in accordance with the fourth paragraph of section 39 of Article VIII. of the By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations of this Board.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. KINNEY presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills for the amounts respectively stated :

Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's Office	\$174 05
Humphreys & Budd, repairing and putting up awnings at the Hall of the Board.....	5 00
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for copyright on certificates, check and postage stamps, cartage, express charges, and sundries to June 15.....	179 20
O. H. Gager, sprinkling streets in front of the Hall of the Board, one month to June 1....	4 28
E. Marrenner, taking down stoves in offices at, and repairing roof of Hall of the Board....	24 60
H. Murphy, subscription to the World, Tribune, and Times, six months each, from January 1 to July 1, 1864.....	14 40

C. M. Sillock, frame, cord, and tassels for portrait of Ex-President Curtis, suspended in the session room of the Board..... 61 50

O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
OWEN KINNEY,	
THOMAS BROWN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, recommending a requisition on the Comptroller for five hundred and eighty-seven thousand dollars (\$587,000), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be requested to place with the City Chamberlain the sum of five hundred and eighty-seven thousand dollars (\$587,000), subject to the drafts of this Board on and after this date.

O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. NEILSON presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, relative to the reorganization of the Saturday Normal School for Female Teachers, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved, That Henry Kiddle be and he is hereby appointed Principal of the Saturday Normal School for Female Teachers, at an annual salary of five hundred dollars (\$500), said appointment to take effect on and after the 18th day of June, 1864.

Resolved, That William Belden, David B. Scott, Thomas F. Harrison, Thomas Hunter, John H. Fanning, William T. Graff, and Hugh Williamson, be and they are hereby ap-

pointed teachers in said Saturday Normal School for Female Teachers, at an annual salary each respectively, of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350), Rosina G. Hartman at an annual salary of two hundred dollars (\$200), George H. Curtis, teacher of music, at an annual salary of one hundred dollars (\$100), and George Weightman be appointed janitor of said school at an annual salary of two hundred dollars (\$200), said appointments, aforesaid, to take effect on and after the 12th day of June, 1864.

WM. H. NEILSON,
JAMES W. FARR,
WILSON SMALL,
JOHN PATTEN,

} Committee
on Normal
Schools.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the resolution relative to an allowance for teachers' salaries in Ward School No. 27, recently established on Forty-second street, in the Nineteenth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That an additional allowance of nine thousand nine hundred dollars (\$9,900) be and the same is hereby made to the Nineteenth Ward for teachers' salaries for Ward School No. 27, in said Ward.

JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,
JAMES F. HORAN,
WM. H. NEILSON,

} Committee
on
Teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, asking for an additional allowance for teachers' salaries for Colored Ward School No. 2, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, for an additional allowance for teachers' salaries for Colored Ward School No. 2, in said Ward, be denied.

JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	} Committee on Teachers.
JAMES F. HORAN,	
WM. H. NEILSON,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Catharine L. Conart for the Principalship of the Female Department of Ward School No. 8, Victorine S. Crasper for the Principalship of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 38, and Lucille O. Hammersley for the Vice-Principalship of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 38, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Catharine L. Conart, Victorine S. Crasper, and Lucille O. Hammersley, nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Eighth Ward for the respective positions of Principal of the Female Department of Ward School No. 8, and Principal and Vice-Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 38, in said Ward, having, as appears from the certificate of the City Superintendent of Schools, the requisite qualifications, be and they are hereby appointed to the positions to which they have been severally nominated.

JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	} Committee on Teachers.
JAMES F. HORAN,	
WM. H. NEILSON,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for authority to advertise

for estimates and proposals for repairing and painting Ward School-House No. 48 and Primary School-House No. 27, said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution

Resolved, That the application from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, for authority to advertise for estimates and proposals for repairing and painting Ward School-House No. 48, and Primary School-House No. 27, in said Ward, be denied for the present ; but that said objects be commended to the favorable consideration of the Board, whenever the state of the funds will warrant the necessary outlay for such purposes.

JAMES L. MILLER, JACOB C. BOGERT, JEREMIAH WELCH, WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR,	} Committee on Buildings.
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Mr. HASTIE moved to amend said resolution by striking out all after the word "*Resolved*," and inserting in lieu thereof the following :

"That the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposals for painting the outside and inside walls and woodwork of Ward School No. 48, pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward aforesaid."

A call of the House having been ordered, the following members answered to their names :

Members. Jennott, Horan, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmir, O'Connor, Perley, Koster, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, McNeilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, McLean—25.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. HASTIE, when the members present voted as follows :

Ayes. *Members.* Kasmir, Hayes, Hitchman, McSpedon—5

Nays. *Members.* Horan, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small

**Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Koster, West,
Smith, Vance, Miller—15.**

ADJOURNMENT.

A quorum not being in attendance, as indicated by the foregoing vote, the PRESIDENT declared the Board adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Maher, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Jackson, Rice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Leber, Smyth, Fairchild—31.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Huggins, Horan, Patten, Donnell, Carey, Montgomery, O'Connor, Perley, McLaughlin, Hayward, Neilson—12.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

The Journal of the sessions held on the 9th and 15th days of June, respectively, was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. MAHER presented a communication from the Trustees of the First Ward, asking an extra appropriation for cleaning, &c., and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk of this Board be and they are hereby directed to draw warrants to the amount of eight hundred and thirty dollars (\$830), the same being an extra appropriation to pay for cleaning, painting, varnishing, whitewashing, and calcimining the Public School-Houses of the First Ward during the month of August next.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Mr. FARR presented a communication from the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, relative to repairing pianos injured by some person or persons unknown, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Ninth Ward be and are hereby authorized to have the pianos referred to in the above statement repaired at an expense not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150). Said amount to be charged to the account of incidental expenses of common schools in said Ward for the year 1864.

On motion Mr. SMYTH—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture, with power.

Mr. WELCH presented a communication from the School Officers of the Tenth Ward, relative to altering and reconstructing the rear stairs of Ward School-House No. 42, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the subject of altering and rebuilding the rear stairs and staircase of Ward School-House No. 42, in the Tenth Ward, be referred to the Committee on Buildings, with power to have said work done through the Shop during the ensuing August vacation. In case the Committee deem it necessary to close the school during the last two weeks of July, they shall have power to do so.

Mr. WELCH moved that said resolution be adopted.

Mr. HASTIE moved to amend said resolution by adding thereto the words following viz. : "and that the amount of said repairs be taken out of the fund for the incidental expenses of said Ward."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, of Mr. HASTIE, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HAYES moved a reconsideration of the vote just taken.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows

Ayes Messrs. Heath, Tuthill, Montgomery, Welch, Kas-
telle, Hays, Brown, Hayes, Roosevelt, Miller, Lieber—11.

Nays Messrs. Maher, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Farr, Ro-
bert, Jackson, Koster, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, Hitch-
man, McSpotton, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—18.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. KOSTER presented a communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, requesting that John R. Roche be allowed the salary due him as First Assistant in Grammar School No. 34, from May 1 to July 1, 1864, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk of the Board of Education be authorized to draw their warrant in favor of John R. Roche, as First Assistant in Grammar School No. 34, Thirteenth Ward, for his services rendered from May 1, 1864, to July 1, 1864, he having filled said position during that period, said amount of salary being one hundred and sixty dollars (\$160).

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. BROWN presented a communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating Letitia J. W. Caldwell for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 34, made vacant by the resignation of Mary J. Fairchild.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. BROWN presented a communication from the School Officers of the Thirteenth Ward, asking that said School Officers may be permitted to change the proposed location for a new school site in said Ward, from Nos. 61, 63, 65, and 67 Cannon street to Nos. 24, 26, and 28 Cannon street, where Primary School No. 10 is now situated.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Sites.

Mr. SMITH presented a communication from the Trustees of

the Sixteenth Ward, nominating William M. Baker as Vice-Principal of Male Grammar School No. 45, in place of William W. Adams, resigned.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. CONNELLY presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, relative to heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 32, in West Thirty-fifth street, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Twentieth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to have the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 32, in West Thirty-fifth street, completed, and made to be in all respects in accordance with the contract—the cost of said work to be paid out of the fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) withheld from the contractors by the Board of Education in pursuance of the action had at their meeting of July 16, 1862.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. HASTIE presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking authority to employ a music teacher in Colored School No. 6, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Twentieth Ward be, and are hereby authorized to employ a teacher of music for Colored School No. 6, at an annual salary of one hundred and twenty dollars (\$120) from September 1, 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. SMYTH presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, nominating Mary F. McKenna as Principal of Primary School No. 40, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Jennie M. Hill, and Margaret Fox as Vice-Principal of Grammar School No. 17 in said Ward, in place of Mary F. McKenna, transferred.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. HASTIE presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, requesting that their action in granting leave of absence during June and July to Mrs. Kate P. Brown, Principal of Primary Department of Ward School No. 32, and Sarah K. White, Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 33, in consequence of their dangerous illness, be confirmed.

In connection therewith Mr. HASTIE presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Board of Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, in excusing Kate P. Brown, Principal of Primary Department No. 32, and Sarah K. White, Principal of Primary Department No. 33, for the months of June and July, on account of severe illness, be and is hereby confirmed.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication and resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

Mr. WELCH presented a communication from the School Officers of the Tenth Ward, on the award of contracts for erecting an addition to Ward School-House No. 42, in said Ward, asking an appropriation for said object of thirty-three thousand and twenty-seven dollars (\$33,027), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-three thousand and twenty-seven dollars (\$33,027) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting an addition to Ward School-House No. 42, in the Tenth Ward, on lots Nos. 76 and 78 Hester street, but no part of said money to be paid until the School Officers of said Ward shall have duly filed the contracts to be entered into by them for that purpose, together with such security as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee for the faithful performance of said contracts, and against the lien law, nor until said contracts shall have been approved by said Committee, as to the form thereof, and the amount and time of payment of the instalments, the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of School Buildings

and the School Officers of the Ward, and no payment to be made except upon the certificate of said Superintendent, that the work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

On motion—

Ordered, That so much of said communication as refers to heating apparatus be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and that the remainder of said communication be referred to the Finance Committee.

A communication was presented from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, nominating Julia C. Flanagan as Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 5, in said Ward, in place of Henrietta Fisk, resigned.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. BRENNAN presented a communication from the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, stating objections to Truant Officers visiting private residences on school business in their uniform, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Police be and they are hereby respectfully requested to permit Truant Officers hereafter to dress in the ordinary attire of citizens while in the discharge of the duties respectively assigned to them.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. BRENNAN presented a communication from the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, requesting permission to employ additional teachers in view of increased attendance in the schools of the Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Mrs. A. Miller for an appointment as teacher of French.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John R. Roche, relative to his system of instruction.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Arnold Selisberg, relative to salary alleged to be due him as teacher in the Twenty-first Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Rev. J. F. Busche, asking a donation of desks and benches for the use of the Parochial School of the German Reformed Church in Suffolk street.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture, with power.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John C. Graff, being his bill for services as Principal of Ward School No. 46, in the Twelfth Ward, for two months from May 1 to July 1, 1864, amounting to two hundred and eighty-three dollars and thirty-four cents (\$283 34).

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from WILLIAM HENRY ANTHON, Esq. :

NEW YORK, July 5, 1864.

HON. JAMES M. MCLEAN,

President of the Board of Education, &c.

DEAR SIR : I have been requested by ELISHA RIGGS, Esq., who is temporarily absent from the city, to inform the Honor-

able Board over which you preside, that with its approval and sanction, he proposes to place in the hands of Trustees the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be safely invested and the income applied to the furnishing of two gold medals yearly, to the authors of the best English Prose Compositions in the Senior and Junior Classes of the New York Free Academy. It is also part of the plan of the donor that the successful compositions shall be transcribed into books to be kept for that purpose, and deposited in the Academic Library.

If the views of Mr. RIGGS in this matter should meet with your approval, the money and the necessary documents setting forth the details of the plan will at once be transmitted to the Trustees.

I am, with great respect, yours, &c.,

WM. HENRY ANTHON.

Ordered, That the communication be referred to the Executive Committee on Free Academy.

Objections by the President to signing Warrants.

The PRESIDENT stated his objections to signing warrants in payment of sundry bills, for the reasons hereinafter stated, which were severally disposed of, as follows :

Bills referred to the Board of Education by the Inspectors of the Twelfth Ward.

Frederick Bishop, work, &c.....	\$39 13
William Twine, ".....	163 18
" " ".....	172 32
M. J. Twigg, ".....	91 30

Bills requiring special Appropriation.

John Mackey, for services rendered at the Grand street School, Eighth Ward.....	\$100 00
Alonzo Taylor, for clock for Ward School No. 8, in Eighth Ward	250 00

Bills excessive in charges, and unauthorized.

John Carey, repairing stoves in the Fourteenth Ward.....	\$331 41
J. D. Boediker, repairing piano, Twenty-first Ward,	40 00
Owen Lynch, shoveling snow, Twenty-second Ward,	48 50
Wm. Clark, repairing piano, Twenty-second Ward,	24 50

On motion—

Ordered, That all the aforesaid bills be referred to the Finance Committee.

Bills not signed by either Inspector.

Pay-roll of Eleventh Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said pay-roll be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

Pay-rolls of Fourth Ward.

Mr. MILLER, in connection therewith, presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President, Clerk and Chairman of the Finance Committee be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the salaries of the teachers in the Fourth Ward, if in the judgment of the aforesaid Officers the pay-rolls are correct ; the Inspectors of said Ward having refused to audit said pay-rolls.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. SMALL—

Resolved, That the President and Clerk of this Board be and they are hereby requested to receive from the Hon. Thos. F. Jeremiah, a former President of the Board of Education, his portrait, and that the same be placed upon the walls of this room.

CONSIDERATION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The **PRESIDENT** announced as the next business in order the consideration of the report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to painting and repairing School-Houses in the Twentieth Ward, which was under discussion at the time of adjourning the last session. (*Journal*, pages 181, 182, 183.)

The **PRESIDENT** stated the question to be upon the following amendment, proposed by Mr. **HASTIE**, to the resolution recommended by the Committee :

" That the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposals for painting the outside and inside walls and woodwork of Ward School No. 48, pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Trustees of the Ward aforesaid."

Mr. **FARR** moved to amend said amendment by adding thereto the words following : " Provided the cost of said work be paid from the fund set apart for the incidental expenses of said Ward "

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment proposed by Mr. **FARR**, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes Messrs. Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Jackson, Brown, West, Smith, Vance, Miller, McSpedon, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—18.

Nays Messrs. Small, Koster, Hitchman, Connelly, Harrison—3.

Mr. **HASTIE** moved to lay the whole subject on the table.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. **HASTIE**, and it was decided in the negative.

The **PRESIDENT** then put the question whether the Board would agree with the original resolution, as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's Office....	\$146 83
C. S. Westcott & Co., printing and binding 3,000 Annual Reports for 1863 ; printing notices, Documents, Journals, &c., to July 6.....	3,296 98
Baptist & Taylor, printing and binding 2,500 copies of Directory,, printing circulars, notices, &c..	1,266 00
Smith & Lounsbery, laying carpets in Office of City Superintendent.....	5 00
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for check and postage stamps, cartage, and express charges, letter carriage for four months, law expenses, and sundries, from June 15 to July 6.....	135 84
Manhattan Gas Light Company, gas consumed at the Hall of the Board from March 17 to June 20, 1864.....	61 25
O. H. Gager, sprinkling streets in front of the Hall of the Board one month ending July 1.....	4 28

WALTER W. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
THOMAS BROWN,	
ORLANDO P. SMITH,	
OWEN KINNEY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred sundry bills for extra work done under the contracts of the respective parties in the erecting of Ward School building No. 8, in the Eighth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand six hundred and

forty-two dollars and two cents (1,642 02) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the following bills for extra work incurred in the erecting of Ward School-House No. 8, in the Eighth Ward, viz. :

L. W. Armstrong, mason work.....	\$888 10
Alexander H. Coulter, carpenter work.....	433 92
Tuomey & Elder, heating apparatus.....	195 00
Charles B. Cornell, painting work.....	125 00

O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Adams, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, Jackson, Boice, Koster, West, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hitchman, Connelly, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth—23.

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, relative to contract between the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward and Gold, Vining, Brown and Co., for heating Primary School-House No. 41, in said Twelfth Ward, representing that there is now due said firm the sum of nine hundred and forty dollars (\$940), that the apparatus is satisfactory, and that the contractors should be paid, but reporting the facts for the consideration of the Board.

JOHN HAYES,	} <i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
JAMES W. FARR,	
JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	
WM. HITCHMAN,	
D. S. JACKSON, JR.,	

Mr. BOICE moved that the President and Clerk be directed to sign a warrant for Messrs. Gold, Vining, Brown & Co., for the sum of nine hundred and forty dollars (\$940) for amount due on heating apparatus in Primary School-House No. 41, in said Twelfth Ward.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board

would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, relative to award of contract for heating the New School-Houses in the Sixteenth and Eighteenth Wards, and accompanied with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the action of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in authorizing Messrs. Tuomey & Elder to place tin pipes, registers and coil-boxes, in the walls of the School-Houses now in course of erection in the Sixteenth and Eighteenth Wards, at an advance of ten per cent. on the actual first cost of said articles, be and the same is hereby confirmed; the bills for the same to be paid by an appropriation hereafter to be made by this Board, on the certificate of their correctness signed by the Engineer of the Board and the Committee aforesaid.

JOHN HAYES,	} <i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
JAMES W. FARR,	
JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	
WM. HITCHMAN,	
D. S. JACKSON, Jr.	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented the following report from the Executive Committee on Free Academy :

TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK :

The Faculty of the Free Academy, at a meeting held this day, adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the students hereinafter named, having completed the full course of studies, with ancient languages, prescribed in the Institution, and having passed an examination in the same to the satisfaction of the Faculty, are hereby commended to the Honorable the Board of Education as suitable candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts :

William Lanman Bull, Philip Ware Bull, John Abbott Larkson, Augustus Frederick Dohrman, Michael Angelo Dougherty, Lewis Goebel, John Pease Harsen, Clinton Jones

Hartt, Lewis Marx Hornthall, Erasmus Darwin Hudson, Jr., Jasper Theodore Kane, William Henry King, Edward Landerbach, David Leventritt, George Barclay Mackie, Albon Platt Man, Jr., George Frederick Meyer, Edgar Welles Moore, Andrew Quackenbush, Jr., Siegmund Spingarn, Frederick Butler Ward, John William Worth, Jr., William Westersfield, Jr., John Stuart White.

The Faculty also recommend to your Honorable Body, as proper candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Sciences, the following Students, who have completed the full course, with modern languages :

James Candler, Henry Kiersted Coddington, George Francis Demarest, Michael Dwyer, Henry John Noble, Porteus Edmundson, Charles Andrew Flammer, Luther Mason Fuller, Teofilo Gimbernath, John Hamilton Neilley Glassford, Cornelius Herz, George Edgar Hoe, Ephraim Arnold Jacob, Isaac Stanley Kingsland, Lucius McAdam, Charles Edward Oakley, Seeley Benedict Patterson.

The Faculty also take pleasure in recommending to your Honorable Body, to confer the degree of Master of Arts upon the following named Bachelors of Arts of three years' standing, and upwards; they having given to the Faculty evidence that they have prosecuted some branch of learning during the time aforesaid :

Marinus Willett Baucher, Edward Augustus Bradley, Edwin Marion Cox, Melatiah Everett Dwight, Thomas Jefferson Kennedy, Laurence Kiernan, William McGeorge, James Edward Morrison, James Murphy, William O'Brien, Henry Clay Selvage, John Hamilton Turner, George Weightman, Jr. William Frederick West, Jefferson Howard White, Thaddeus Wilson.

HORACE WEBSTER,
President of the Faculty.

GERARDUS B. DOCHARTY,
Secretary of the Faculty.

NEW YORK, July 5. 1834.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved. That the foregoing recommendations of the Fac-

and they are hereby adopted, and that the degrees be
ed accordingly.

JAMEL L. MILLER,	} <i>Executive Committee on Free Academy.</i>
JAMES M. TUTHILL,	
JOHN HAYES,	
WM. HITCHMAN,	
SAM'L B. H. VANCE,	

PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would
with said resolution, and it was decided in the affir-

MILLER presented the following report from the Com-
on Investigation :

Board of Education :

Committee on Investigation, to whom were referred
plications from Charles Kelly and William P. Kirk,
the parties recently removed from the position of 'Trus-
Common Schools in the Fourth Ward, for an oppor-
to contradict the evidence upon which they were re-
and to submit testimony on their own behalf, respect-
report :

t they directed the Clerk to notify the parties above
to appear before them with their witnesses ; that the
rties did so appear, and introduced such testimony as
leased in their own behalf. Your Committee, after a
t hearing of all the evidence produced, which is hereto
d and forms a part of this report, were of the unani-
pinion that the applicants are not entitled to the favor-
nsideration of the Board of Education, and that the
e showed conclusively that the Board was justified in
sing them from the position of Trustees of Common
s. The Committee therefore asked to be discharged
as further consideration of the subject.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} <i>Committee on Investigation.</i>
JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,	
HENRY P. WEST,	
O. P. SMITH,	
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,	
FREDERICK SMYTH,	

MILLER moved that said report be adopted.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. **VANCE** presented a report from the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books, to whom was referred the memorial from one hundred and two Principals, Vice-Principals, and assistant teachers, soliciting the Board of Education to place Brown's Grammar with Kiddle's Analysis on the list of books to be supplied to the schools under the control of the Board, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Brown's Grammar with Kiddle's Analysis be added to the list of books supplied to the schools under the control of this Board, provided said book can be purchased at the same price as Brown's Grammar without the "Analysis."

SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,	} Committee on
HENRY P. WEST,	
JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,	
	} Course of Studies
	} and School Books.

Mr. **TUTHILL** moved that said report be laid upon the table.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Tuthill, Jackson, Hayes, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth—8.

Nays—Messrs. Maher, Heath, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, Boice, Brown, West, Smith, Vance, Miller, Lieber, Fairchild—17.

Mr. **HITCHMAN** moved to amend said resolution by adding thereto the following :

"And that the teachers of this city and the Superintendents of Schools be requested to revise all books now in use in the schools under the control of this Board."

Mr. **HASTIE** offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee be made a special order after the third order of business at the second meeting in September.

Mr. **VANCE** moved that said resolution be laid upon the table.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Heath, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Boice, Brown, Koster, West, Smith, Vance, Miller, Lieber, Fairchild—18.

Nays—Messrs. Tuthill, Jackson, Hayes, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth—8.

Mr. **HASTIE** moved that the Board do now adjourn.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Tuthill, Jackson, Hayes, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie—7.

Nays—Messrs. Small, Heath, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Boice, Brown, Smith, Vance, Miller, Fairchild—16.

Mr. **SMALL** moved the previous question.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question, " Shall the main question now be put ? " which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Heath, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, Boice, Koster, Brown, West, Smith, Vance, Miller, Lieber, Fairchild—18.

Nays—Messrs. Tuthill, Adams, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth—5.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with the pending amendment of Mr. **HITCHMAN**, and it was decided in the negative.

The **PRESIDENT** then put the question whether the Board would agree with the original resolution offered by the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. **FARR**, the Board then adjourned.

THURSDAY, JULY 14, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

The Board convened at the Academy of Music, in Fourteenth street, corner of Irving Place, for the purpose of attending the Commencement Exercises of the Free Academy, pursuant to the following section of the By-Laws :

Article 16, Section 122—"The academic year [of the Free Academy] shall end on the Tuesday before the third Wednesday of July in each year, on which day the Commencement of the Institution shall be held at a place to be provided by the Executive Committee. The Board of Education shall meet statedly, at the time and place of the Annual Commencement. The President of the Board of Education shall preside."

[As the Academy of Music could not be obtained for Tuesday, the exercises were held on the preceding Thursday.]

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Huggins, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Kennan, Carey, Small, Adams, Farr, Bogert, O'Connor, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hitchman, Mastie, Lieber, Smyth, and Fairchild. The Principal and Faculty of the Academy were present ; also, Hon. Gulian C. Carpenter, Brigadier General Hayes, William Hibbard, Esq., Peter Cooper, Esq., James W. Girard, Esq., Judges Sutherland and Kirkland, William Aymar, Esq., Professor Peaslee, Dartmouth College, and many other distinguished friends of popular education.

The following was the

ORDER OF THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE

MUSIC.— { Overture—*Jubilee*..... Von Weber.
 { March—*Coronation—Le Prophete*..... Meyerbeer.

PRAYER BY REV. DR. CHAMBERS.

MUSIC.—Selection from *Faust*..... Gounod.

1. Salutory Address, and Second Honorary Oration— }
 Poem—*Faust*, } DAVID LEVENTE

MUSIC.—*Viva L'America*..... Millard.

2. Fifth Dissertation—*Alexander Hamilton*..... H. J. N. PORTEUS EDMON
 3. Ninth Dissertation—*Ulysses and the Lotus-Eaters*..... J. ABBOTT CLARE
 4. Sixth Dissertation—*Birth the Instinct of Humanity*..... WM. WESTERFIELD,

MUSIC.—*March from the Eucharist*..... Balfe.

5. Fourth Honorary Oration—*Voice of Niagara*..... SEELY B. PATTER
 6. Seventh Honorary Oration—*Lara*..... GEORGE F. DEMAR
 7. Sixth Honorary Oration—*The Seven Wonders of our Age*..... GEORGE E. F

MUSIC.—*Brianisi, from Ione*..... Petrella.

8. Third Honorary Oration—*Laborare et Orare*..... WILLIAM L. BU
 9. Second Dissertation—*Shakespearean Tercentenary*..... EDWARD LAUTHER
 10. Fifth Honorary Oration—*Myself, and the Lucky Moment*..... LUCIUS MCAN

MUSIC.—*Grand March, Queen of Sheba*..... Gounod.

11. First Dissertation—*Federation of the World*..... LUTHER M. FULL
 12. Eighth Honorary Oration—
Conquest through Self-Conquest } ERASMUS D. HUDSON,

13. Fourth Dissertation—*American Principles*..... EPHRAIM A. JAC

MUSIC.—Selection from *Robert le Diable*..... Meyerbeer.

14. Third Dissertation—*Waterfalls of the Earthquake*..... SCHEMUND SPIEGEL
 15. Seventh Dissertation—*Devotion Ballads*..... CHARLES A. PLANN
 16. Eighth Dissertation—*New York Merchants*..... LEWIS M. HORTON

MUSIC.—*Quintet March*..... HAMER.

17. Fourth Dissertation—*Music of Music*..... CORNELIUS HE
 18. Tenth Dissertation—*The Independence*..... M. ARTHUR DUCHEME
 19. Eleventh Dissertation—*Model of Education*..... EDGAR W. MOON

MUSIC.—*La Morte Musicale*..... RAMEL.

20. Valedictory Address, and First Honorary Oration— }
 Poem—*1861* } CLYDE J. HARR

MUSIC.—*Two-Piece Song*..... MUMFORD.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS AND PRIZES.

THE PRESIDENT introduced RICHARD L. LARREMORE, Esq.,
 Chairman of the Committee of Award, to award the Prizes
 to the competitors who recited Prize Declamations at the
 Cooper Institute, on Friday evening, July 8, 1864.

The following was the Order of Exercises on that oc-
 casion:

PROGRAMME OF PRIZE SPEAKING.

COOPER INSTITUTE, *July 8, 1864.*

MUSIC.—*Tuncredi Overture*.....ROSSINI.

PRAYER BY REV. DR. TYNG.

MUSIC.—*Finale to Ernani*.....VERDI.

Speech for War, April, 1861.....COL. E. D. BAKER. LUTHER M. FULLER.
 Battle.....SCHILLER.....GEORGE W. BIRDSEYE.
 Oration to the Roman Senate.....SARGEANT.....EDWARD A. PAGE.

MUSIC.—Selection from *Faust*.....GOUNOD.

Speech finding found guilty of High Treason..ROBERT EMMET.....WM. H. LANE.
 The Building of the Ship.....LONGFELLOW.....CHAS. M. HIBBARD.
 Speech on La Fayette.....CHARLES SPRAGUE..SIGMUND SPINGAEN.

MUSIC.—Songs of the Times.....H. B. DODWORTH.

Speech on Democracy of Athens.....DEMOSTHENES.....H. D. KNOWLTON.
 The Raven.....EDGAR A. POE.....WM. L. BULL.
 Speech on the Gladiators.....KELLOGG.....RUDOLPH W. SCHACK.

MUSIC.—*Il Bacio* (Song Waltz).....ARDITI.

BENEDICTION.

MUSIC.—College Songs.....H. B. DODWORTH.

HARVEY B. DODWORTH, *Chef d'Orchestre.*

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PRIZE SPEAKING.

To the Executive Committee on Free Academy and Faculty:

The undersigned (a Committee appointed to award the prizes for Excellence in public Declamation in Prose and Poetry by students of the Free Academy, on the 8th July, 1864), unanimously

R E P O R T :

That they attended upon the exercises referred to, which were of a most creditable and praiseworthy character.

Where the standard of excellence is so high, it seems indisputable to make distinctions; and your Committee (not without hesitation) have finally decided, that

The Prize for excellence in Prose Declamation be awarded to LUTHER M. FULLER, and that for excellence in Poetic Declamation be awarded to WILLIAM L. BULL.

The undersigned would congratulate the Board, the Faculty, and the Students, for the success which has crowned their efforts in the past, and the promise of higher attainments and usefulness in the future.

R. L. LARREMORE, WM. E. CURTIS, WM. HENRY ANTHON, RICHARD WARREN,	}	Committee.
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NEW YORK, *July 8th*, 1864.

AWARDING OF PRIZES GIVEN BY THE PRES- IDENT OF THE BOARD.

In accordance with said report, the following Prizes were awarded:

PRIZE FOR PROSE DECLAMATION.

LUTHER M. FULLER, Senior "Living's Life of Washington."

PRIZE FOR POETRY.

WILLIAM L. BULL, Senior—"Waverley Gallery."

PRIZE FOR FRENCH TRANSLATION.

LUCIUS MCADAM, Senior—"Les Bons Exemples."

PRIZES OF THE "COURRIER DES ETATS UNIS."

EDWARD Z. PENFIELD, Freshman.

IRVING L. BRAGDON, Introductory.

PELL MEDAL—GENERAL PROFICIENCY.

Gold—CHARLES O. KIMBALL, Freshman.

Silver—GILBERT H. CRAWFORD, Introductory.

BURR MEDAL—MATHEMATICS.

Gold—(To be awarded hereafter.)

CROMWELL MEDAL—HISTORY AND BELLES LETTRES.

Gold—CHARLES M. HIBBARD, Sophomore.

WARD MEDALS.

Chemistry—William Westerfield, Jr., Senior.

Certificates—J. H. N. Glassford, J. P. Harsen, Geo. E. Hoe, S. B. Fatterson,
Seniors.

Natural History—Richard Rogers Bowker, Introductory.

Natural Philosophy—Daniel T. Gilman, Junior.

Moral Philosophy—Clinton J. Hartt, Senior.

Law—Geo. E. Hoe, Senior.

Certificate—J. A. Clarkson, Senior.

English—John A. Knapp, Junior.

Certificate—M. L. Crowell, Junior.

Greek—David Leventritt, Senior.

Certificate—George F. Mayer, Senior.

Latin—George F. Mayer, Senior.

Certificate—John A. Clarkson, Wm. L. Bull, David Leventritt, Andrew Quack-
enbush, Jr., Seniors.

French—Ernest Werner, Sophomore.

Spanish—H. J. N. P. Edmonson, Jr., Senior.

German—Seeley B. Patterson, Senior.

Oratory—Luther M. Fuller, Senior.

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 , Henry Clay Selvage, A. B., John Hamilton Turner,
 , George Weightman, Jr., A. B., William Frederick
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BENEDICTION.

MUSIC..... *National Airs.*

CHEF D'ORCHESTRE, HARVEY B. DODWORTH.

WEDNESDAY JULY 20, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAS. M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Jennett, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, McDonnor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, Eastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—32.

Absent—Commissioners Maher, Huggins, Horan, Patten, McDonnell, Carey, Murray, McLaughlin, Hayward, McSpedon, Connelly—11.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.*

Mr. WEST presented a communication from the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, nominating Miss Mary J. Jones for the position of Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 5, in place of Miss Mary T. Grau, resigned; and for the position of Vice-Principal of said Department, Miss Mary E. McGill, in place of Miss Mary J. Jones, promoted, to date from July 1.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

A communication was presented from the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, asking authority to transfer the two pianos now in the Female Department of Ward Schools Nos. 1 and 6 to the Male and Female Departments of Ward School No. 1; also for an appropriation sufficient to purchase a new piano for the Primary Department of Ward School No. 1.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

A communication was presented from the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, requesting the removal, during vacation, of the old furniture now in Ward School No. 25, in said Ward, and its replacement by good second-hand furniture better adapted to the wants of the school.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture, with power.

Mr. SMALL presented a communication from the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, relative to the removal of John G. Heffernan from the position of Vice-Principal of Ward School No. 2, in said Ward.

In connection therewith, Mr. SMALL offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Board of Trustees of the Seventh Ward, in recommending the removal of John G. Heffernan from the position of Vice-Principal of Ward School No. 2, be and the same is hereby confirmed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Webster Belden, A. M., of Attleborough, Mass., asking an appointment as teacher.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the teachers in Colored Ward School No. 2, in the Eighth Ward, asking for an increase of salary.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION. †

Mr. WELCH offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Tenth Ward in excusing the absence of Miss Ada J. Brown, a teacher in the Primary Department of Ward School 42, for ten days in May and eighteen days in June, be confirmed, said absence having been caused by severe illness.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

On motion of Mr. HAYES—

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Finance Committee be authorized to sign the warrants for the payment of bills for the Fourth Ward, during the absence of Commissioner ARTHUR O'DONNELL from the city.

Mr. WEST offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, in excusing the absence of Miss E. A. Bush, Assistant in Primary Department of Ward School 30, for the months of June and July, 1864, on account of serious illness, be and the same is hereby confirmed.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

Mr. Brown offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and are hereby authorized to sign a warrant for the salary of Miss Berenice J. Fitz, a teacher in Boys' Department of Grammar School No. 34, excused by the Board of Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward for absence during the month of June, 1864, on account of severe illness.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

[July 20,

Mr. GANNOR offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Resolved, That R. A. Barry, not being a resident of the Eleventh Ward, his seat as Trustee being made vacant by the recent election, as a non-resident, it is therefore

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be instructed to inform the Chairman of the Board of School Officers of the Eleventh Ward, and also the said R. A. Barry, of such action.

Resolved, That said preamble and resolution be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

Mr. GANNOR offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, in appointing Miss Sarah M. Reeve, a teacher in the Eleventh Ward School No. 2, for absence during the month of June and July, be confirmed, said absence having been caused by severe illness.

Resolved, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

Mr. GANNOR offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That in the case of Thomas Gibbons alone, on the Eleventh Ward Teachers, the resolution recently passed by the Board, granting leave of absence to him and other teachers, be suspended in the case of said Thomas Gibbons ; and that the Board be directed to sign his contract for his past and future services as teacher in the Eleventh Ward School No. 2.

Resolved, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

Mr. GANNOR offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That a sum of three hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated to purchase a site for a new Primary School No. 36, in the Seventh Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Auditing Committee, in favor of the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the annexed bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

H. Steger, N. Y. Herald, one year to July 1.....	\$9 36
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for taking down and putting up curtains in the Session Room, taking up and putting down carpets, distributing circulars for Normal School, check and postage stamps, and sundries.....	389 40
New York Journal of Commerce, subscription six months from Nov. 13, 1863, to May 13, 1864...	5 50
J. S. & J. W. Burnton, stationery for Clerk's Office.	163 98
Macy & Herwig, printing certificates of qualification, examination blanks, &c.	42 88

O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Auditing</i>
THOMAS BROWN,	
OWEN KINNEY,	

Committee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, on the examination of the accounts in the Clerk's Office, recommending that sundry warrants be cancelled, and the amounts thereof be transferred to the General Fund, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the warrants numbers 2061 for \$2 50, 2441 for \$24 59, and 2671 for \$2, issued in 1863, and warrants numbers 506 for \$3, and \$993 for \$2, issued in

1864, be and the same are hereby cancelled, and the amounts transferred to the General Fund.

W. W. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
O. P. SMITH,	
OWEN KINNEY,	
THOMAS BROWN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion—

Ordered, That said report be printed as a Document. (*Document No. 7.*)

Mr. HITCHMAN presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, asking an appropriation of two hundred and thirty-one dollars and twenty-five cents (\$231 25) to pay the difference in cost of a new piano for the use of the male department of Ward School No. 36, in said Ward, and an old one to be given in exchange; and also the communication from the Trustees of Twelfth Ward, asking an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for the purpose of purchasing a piano for the use of Primary School No. 41, in said Ward, submitting said matter for the consideration of the Board.

WM. HITCHMAN,	} <i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
JAMES L. HASTIE,	
R. P. FAIRCHILD,	

In connection therewith, Mr. O'CONNOR presented for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and thirty dollars and twenty-five cents (\$230 25) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a new piano for Ward School No. 36, in the Eleventh Ward; said amount to be in addition to the allowance that may be made for the old piano, and the resolution adopted on the 29th day of December, 1863, in relation to said matter, be rescinded.

Mr. FARR moved to amend said resolution by adding thereto the words following, viz., "And that the amount of said purchase be taken out of the fund for the incidental expenses of said Ward."

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Aye—Mr. Farr—1.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Heath, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Bogert, Kasmire, O'Connor, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, Roosevelt, Smith, Miller, Hitchman, Hastie, McLean, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—23.

The **PRESIDENT** then put the question whether the Board would agree with the original resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Heath, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hitchman, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

In connection with said report, also, Mr. **BOICE** presented for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a piano for Primary School No. 41, in the Twelfth Ward.

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Heath, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hitchman, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—25.

Nay—Mr. Tuthill—1.

Mr. **HAYES** presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, asking authority "to have the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 32, in said Ward completed and made in all respects in accordance with the contract, the cost of said work to be paid out of the fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) withheld from the contractors by the Board of Education," and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward be and they are hereby requested to notify Baker & Smith, contractors for putting in the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 32, in said Ward, together with their sureties, in writing, that said apparatus is deficient, in pursuance of the fourth provision of the contract entered into between the Trustees of the said Twentieth Ward and the said Baker & Smith and their sureties, said contract bearing date the 14th day of May, 1861, and if the said Baker & Smith do not, within three days after the service of said notice, proceed to complete said apparatus so as to cause the same to heat said School-House to 70 deg. Fahrenheit, in the coldest winter weather, then the said Trustees with the Committee on Warming and Ventilation of the Board of Education may procure and employ other persons to perform and finish the work and materials necessary to cause said apparatus to heat said School-House sufficiently in the coldest winter weather, and the cost of said work shall be paid out of the fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) withheld from Baker & Smith, the contractors for doing the same, in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the Board of Education on the 16th day of July 1862.

JOHN HAYES,	} <i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
WM. HITCHMAN,	
JAMES W. FARR,	
D. S. JACKSON, Jr.,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HITCHMAN presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the application from the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, for an appropriation, for the purpose of purchasing three pianos for the use of Ward School No. 27, in said Ward, one for each department of said school, and accompanied with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of ten hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,050) be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing three pianos for the use of Ward School No. 27 in the Nineteenth Ward, one for each department: and pianos to be purchased by the Trustees of said Nineteenth Ward, subject to the approval of the Committee on School Furniture, at an expense not to exceed three hundred

and fifty dollars (\$350) each, but no part of the money to be paid until the party of whom each piano is purchased shall have certified the price at which the same is sold ; and what money, if any, has been previously paid thereon, and that the payment of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) is in full satisfaction of all payments to be made on said piano, and that there is no charge, lien, or claim whatsoever, against said piano, or on account thereof.

WM. HITCHMAN, } *Committee*
JAMES L. HASTIE, } *on School*
B. P. FAIRCHILD, } *Furniture.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

***Ayes*—Messrs. Jennett, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hitchman, Hastie, Lieber, Fairchild—25.**

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, submitting for adoption a resolution in the usual form, making sundry general appropriations, for current expenditures, from the sums set apart for the purposes named :

Resolved, That the sums hereafter named be appropriated out of the amounts reserved respectively for such purposes :

For salaries of Teachers in Ward Schools.....	\$250,000 00
For incidental expenses of Ward Schools.....	25,000 00
For support of the Free Academy.....	10,000 00
For support of Evening Schools.....	3,000 00
For supplies through the Depository—balance of Fund....	15,000 00
For rents of School Premises.....	6,000 00
For salaries of officers of the Board of Education	7,000 00
For incidental expenses of the Board of Education	9,000 00

Total \$325,000 00

O. P. SMITH,
S. J. MONTGOMERY,
JEREMIAH WELCH,
JACOB C. BOGERT,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,

July 20,

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Mr. Fitch, Kin-
Mr. Bager, Welch,
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asterly side of Cannon street, in the Thirteenth Ward, and known as lots Nos. 24, 26, and 28. Cannon street, on which to erect a Primary School-House, provided that said lots are unitedly not less than seventy-five feet front and one hundred feet deep, but no part of said money to be paid until the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation is on file in the Clerk's Office, that the title to said lots is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the city of New York.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the negative, as follows, a majority of the whole number elected to the Board not voting in favor thereof :

Ayes—Messrs. Heath, Tuthill, Small, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Miller, Hitchman, Lieber, Smyth—15.

Nays—Messrs. Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Smith—8.

Mr. BROWN moved a reconsideration of the vote just taken.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER moved that said resolution be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills of John Mackey, for services rendered at Ward School 8, one hundred dollars (\$100), and Alonzo Taylor, for clock furnished to Ward School 8, two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), and accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) be and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bill of Alonzo Taylor, for a clock furnished Ward School No. 8, in the Eighth Ward.

[July 20,

President and Clerk are hereby authorized to employ John Mackey, for one hundred dollars services in the care of the Twelfth Ward, as per bill rendered, and to advance for janitors made

*Finance
Committee.*

Resolved, when the following

James M. Kennedy, Brennan, Small,
S. S. Moore, O'Connor, Perley,
South, Vance, Miller,
July 24

Resolved, whether the Board would
be satisfied by the Committee

James M. Kennedy, Brennan, Small,
S. S. Moore, Perley, Koster,
Miller, Hastie, McLean

Resolved, whether the Board would
be satisfied by the Committee

Finance Committee

Resolved, that Houston, for stoves and
the Twelfth Ward, five hundred
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(\$411.75), viz. :

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Resolved, the following resolution :

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Resolved, That the President and Clerk are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of D. Houston, for the sum of two hundred and eighty-nine dollars and twenty cents (\$289 20), in payment of his bills for stoves and repairs, &c., furnished Ward Schools Nos. 6, 37, and 39, in the Twelfth Ward, up to 12th of February last, provided that said Houston will give a receipt in full for all demands to that date against the Board of Education and the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward.

O. P. SMITH, S. J. MONTGOMERY, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT, TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Mr. MILLER moved that said report be laid on the table until the first meeting in September.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of Owen Lynch for services in shovelling snow from Schools 17, 28, 51, and Primary 17, in December, January, and March, amounting to forty-eight dollars and fifty cents (\$48 50), submitted for payment by the Officers of the Twenty-second Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the bill of Owen Lynch, for shovelling snow at the Schools of the Twenty-second Ward, amounting to forty-eight dollars and fifty cents (\$48 50), be not paid, inasmuch as the salaries of the janitors in said Ward are sufficient for the payment of this and all bills for similar labor which should be performed or paid for by them.

O. P. SMITH, S. J. MONTGOMERY, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT, TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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Mr. FAIRCHILD moved to strike out the resolution as reported by the Committee, and that the bill be paid.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative as follows:

Ayes Messrs. Jennett, Tuthill, Small, Koster, Hayes, Hitchman, Fairchild—7.

Nays Messrs. Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, West, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hastie, McLean, Lieber—16.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution as reported by the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of J. D. Boediker, for repairing piano in Ward School No. 49, in the Twenty-first Ward, amounting to forty dollars (\$40), asking to be dismissed from the further consideration of said subject.

O. P. SMITH,
S. J. MONTGOMERY,
JEREMIAH WELCH,
JACOB C. BOGERT,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,

*Finance
Committee.*

In connection with said report, Mr. MILLER moved that the bill of J. D. Boediker be paid.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of William Clark, for repairing piano in Ward School No. 51, in the Twenty-second Ward, amounting to twenty-four dollars and fifty cents (\$24 50), asking to be dismissed from the further consideration of said subject.

O. P. SMITH,
S. J. MONTGOMERY,
JEREMIAH WELCH,
JACOB C. BOGERT,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,

*Finance
Committee.*

In connection with said report, Mr. FAIRCHILD moved that the bill of William Clark be paid.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the bill of William C. Lesster, for furnaces placed in the addition to Ward School building No. 48, fitted up for the use of the Primary Department of said School, amounting to one hundred and ninety-three dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$193 78), with other bills of the same person for repairing furnaces, &c., and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of William C. Lesster for the sum of one hundred and ninety-three dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$193 78), in payment of his bill dated 1st April, 1864, for one Excelsior Furnance, placed in Ward School No. 48, Twentieth Ward.

O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented the following report from the Finance Committee, which, on motion, was ordered to be entered in full on the Journal :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee respectfully submit a statement of the condition of the fund for special appropriations to date, viz. :

Amount of excess of appropriations at date of
last report over amount "set apart" \$154,009 04

Appropriated since.

April 20—For furnishing Primary School in Monroe street, Seventh Ward, \$3,638 00	
May 18—For erecting new Ward School Building in Twentieth street, Sixteenth Ward, additional.....	1,071 00
May 18—For carpeting Ward School 33, in Twentieth Ward.....	250 00
July 6 For erecting Ward School S. in Eighth Ward, extra work.....	1,642 02
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Total excess of appropriations over amount "set apart".....	\$160,610 06
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O. P. SMITH,
S. J. MONTGOMERY,
JEREMIAH WELCH,
JACOB C. BOGERT,
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,

} *Finance
Committee.*

New York, July 20, 1864.

The President presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Teachers of the Twentieth Ward relative to an allowance of money to John R. Roche, late a teacher in said Ward, and recommended with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they hereby be authorized to sign a warrant for the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars (\$160) in favor of John R. Roche, being for two months' services rendered as First Assistant in the Department of Ward School No. 34, from May 1st to July 1st, 1864.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,
CHARLES BOICE,
JAMES F. HORAN,

} *Committee
on
Teachers.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board could agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred the several communications from the Trustees of the Eleventh, Thirteenth, Sixteenth, and Twenty-second Wards, nominating candidates for certain Principal and Vice-Principalships in their respective Wards, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Julia C. Flanagan, nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Eleventh Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 5 ; Letitia J. W. Caldwell, nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 34 ; William M. Baker, nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, for the position of Vice-Principal of the Male Department of Ward School No. 45 ; Mary F. McKenna, nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 40 ; and Margaret Fox, nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 17 ; each having, as appears from the annexed certificates of the City Superintendent, the requisite qualifications, be and they hereby are appointed to the respective positions to which they have been nominated by the Boards of Trustees aforesaid.

JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	} Committee on Teachers.
WM. H. NEILSON,	
CHARLES BOICE,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. HITCHMAN—

Resolved, That the resolution referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, March 2, 1864, in relation to the heating apparatus of School No. 53, Nineteenth Ward, be amended by adding the words "with power ;" the work to

be done through the Shop, to make such alterations as may be necessary.

Mr. DUPIGNAC offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward be authorized they hereby are authorized to employ a teacher of music in Colored School No. 6, at an annual salary of one hundred and twenty dollars (\$120), to take effect September 1st next.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. FARR, the Board then adjourned.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—Commissioners Maher, Huggins, Horan, Kinney, Manan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Lech, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Hayes, West, Smith, Rice, McLaughlin, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Smith, Fairchild—26.

Absent—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Jennett, Patten, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Hill, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Murray, Roosevelt, Ward, Neilson, Hastie, Lieber—17.

In the absence of the PRESIDENT, the Board was called to order by the Clerk, pursuant to the first Rule of Order.

On motion of MR. FARR—

Commissioner SMYTH was appointed President *pro tem*.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. VANCE presented a communication from the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward, relative to the contract for mason work on the new School-House in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

A communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward presented, relative to declaring the seat of Robt. A. Fry, a Trustee of said Ward, vacant.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

A communication from the Trustees of the Fourth Ward was presented, nominating Mary Kelly for the position of Vice-Principal of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 1, and Michael H. Kiley as Vice-Principal of Male Department of Grammar School No. 1, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

A communication from the Trustees of the Fourth Ward was presented, relative to putting gas fixtures in Ward School House No. 1, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Communications nominating Principals and Vice-Principals in the Evening Schools for the term commencing on Monday the 3d day of October next, were presented from the following Wards by the Commissioners respectively named :

Ninth Ward.....	Mr. FARR,
Fourteenth Ward.....	Mr. WEST,
Sixteenth Ward.....	Mr. VANCE,
Eighteenth Ward.....	The PRESIDENT,
Twentieth Ward.....	Mr. CONNELLY.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communications be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, with power.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the House of the Holy Angels, a home for truant girls,

corner of Second avenue and Eighty-seventh street, requesting a donation of school furniture.

On motion of Mr. WEST—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture, with power.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from Hon. ANSON HERRICK :

NEW YORK, *Sept. 6th*, 1864.

Hon. JAMES M. McLEAN,

President of the Board of Education :

SIR : In a communication, I had the honor of addressing to the Board of Education several months since, tendering to that body the disposal of a nomination for midshipman in the U. S. Navy, which devolved upon me as a representative in Congress, I took occasion to say, that whenever called upon to name a cadet for my district, to be educated at the Military Academy at West Point, it would be my pleasure, in like manner, to call upon your Board to make the selection from the pupils of the Public Schools of that locality. But during the recess of your Board, and very unexpectedly, I was required by the War Department to make a nomination in season for the appointee to enter the Academy on the 1st inst., and before the meeting of your Board. This necessarily compelled me to make the appointment without the formal action of the Board of Education. In order to fulfil my design of awarding the prize to the most meritorious Public School scholar of the district, I personally notified the principals of the several Grammar Schools of the district to send such of their pupils as might be disposed to compete for the appointment, to an examination, to be held at the Hall of your Board, on the 22d day of August. I then designated the President of the Board of Education, the County Superintendent of Public Schools, together with a distinguished citizen of each Ward in the Congressional District, Hon. ALBERT CARDOZO, Hon. SAMUEL B. GARVIN, and DANIEL DEVLIN, Esq., to act as a Committee to examine the competitors and designate which of them, on the score of education and general intelligence, was the best entitled to the appointment. Twenty-two Public School pupils were

examined by this Committee, which finally, unanimously recommended Master ROBERT FLETCHER of the Free Academy, who has since received the appointment, and entered the Academy at West Point, on the first inst.

This explanation has seemed necessary in view of my former communication, promising your Board the disposal of this appointment, and I trust it will prove satisfactory. If I had delayed the appointment until the meeting of the Board, the appointee could not have entered the Military Academy until next year.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

ANSON HERRICK,

Representative in Congress, 9th Dist.

On motion of Mr. HITCHMAN—

Ordered, That said communication be entered in full on the Journal, and that the thanks of the Board be and they are hereby tendered to Mr. HERRICK, for his action in the premises.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Patrick C. Leamy, relative to the Vice-Principalship of Ward School No. 1, in the Fourth Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Baker & Smith, relative to heating apparatus in Ward School No. 32, in the Twentieth Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John G. Heffernan, appealing from the action of the Board of Trustees of the Seventh Ward in dismissing him from the

position of Vice-Principal of Ward School No. 2, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from publishers of books, contractors for supplying the Schools, asking an advance of 25 per cent. on contract prices after September 1, 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Supplies, with power.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Susan Drummond, soliciting a donation of wornout school books for the use of the freed people of Virginia.

On motion—

Ordered. That said communication be referred to the Committee on Supplies, with power.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

MR. SMALL offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of fifteen hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$1,575), be and is hereby appropriated for the use of the School Officers of the Seventh Ward, for the purpose of paying the salaries of Teachers and Janitor of the new Primary School in Monroe street, and known as Primary School No. 36.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

On motion of Mr. O'CONNOR—

Resolved, That the signatures of the Inspectors of the Eleventh Ward be excused from the pay-rolls and bills of said Ward, for the month of August, both of said Inspectors being absent from the city.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills, for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

S. Beeching, subscriptions to the N. York Express, from March 1, to September 1.....	\$5 02
S. Hyde, sprinkling streets in front of the Hall of the Board, for the months of July and August....	8 56
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for check and postage stamps for Clerk and City Superintendent's offices, express charges, cleaning Depository, and sundries, from July 20, to Sept. 7, 1864.....	220 60
Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's office.....	142 91

W. W. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditing</i>
O. P. SMITH,	
OWEN KINNEY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question, whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the matter of warming the School-Houses in course of erection in the Sixteenth and Eighteenth Wards, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand three hundred and seventy-one dollars and five cents (\$2,371 05), be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bills of Tuomey & Elder, for placing tin pipes, registers and coil boxes in the walls of the School-Houses in course of erection in the Sixteenth and Eighteenth Wards, as follows :

For the School-House in the Sixteenth Ward....	\$1,152 25
For the School-House in the Eighteenth Ward....	1,218 80

\$2,371 05

Said bills to be paid on a certificate of their correctness, signed by the Engineer of the Board and the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

JOHN HAYES, } Committee on
JAMES W. FARR, } Warming and
WM. HITCHMAN, } Ventilation.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Horan, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—25.

Mr. HORAN presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from T. W. Kennedy, petitioning the Board for pay as a teacher during twenty-three months, on the ground of illegal removal by the Board of Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, in the year 1862, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC, } Committee
CHARLES BOICE, } on Teachers.
JAMES F. HORAN, }

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would adopt said report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

CONSIDERATION OF A REPORT POSTPONED AT THE LAST MEETING.

The PRESIDENT stated, as the next order of business, the consideration of the report from the Finance Committee on the bills of D. Houston, for stoves and repairs of stoves in schools in the Twelfth Ward, the consideration of which was postponed at the last meeting of the Board. (*Journal*, pp. 222, 223.)

Mr. HITCHMAN moved that said report be laid on the table until the next regular meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. FARR, the Board then adjourned.



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAS. M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Maher, Huggins, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Uthill, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Casmire, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—34.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Patten, Kinney, Carey, Adams, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Connelly—9.

READING OF THE JOURNAL AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

The Minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. BROWN presented a communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, relative to the salary of Miss Josephine Dougherty, appointed to the lowest position in Primary School No. 20, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Miss Josephine Dougherty, who was appointed to the lowest position in Primary School No. 20, be allowed the salary attached to that position from June 20, 1864, to September 1, 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. BROWN presented a communication from the School Officers of the Thirteenth Ward, asking an appropriation of twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000), for the purchase of the property known as the Cannon-street Baptist Church, as a School site.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Sites.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a communication from the School Officers of the Fifth Ward, relative to the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 44, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That an application be made to the Board of Education for authority to repair the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 44, said repairs to be done under the supervision of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, the Engineer of the Board, and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Mr. NEILSON presented a communication from the School Officers of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to the defective condition of the heating apparatus in the main building of Ward School-House No. 50, in said Ward, and asking that the subject be referred to the appropriate Committee for investigation and report.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a communication from the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, nominating Miss Hannah E. Tappan as Principal of Primary Department of Ward School No. 44, in said Ward, and Miss Mary C. Tate as Vice-Principal of said School.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. HASTIE presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, requesting permission to place new furnaces in the heaters of Ward School-House No. 48, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. SMYTH presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, nominating John D. Robinson as Principal of the Male Department of Grammar School No. 17, John Jasper, Jr., for Principal of the Male Department of Grammar School No. 9, and Evander Childs, Jr., as Vice-Principal of the Male Department of Grammar School No. 9, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Communications nominating Principals and Vice-Principals in the Evening Schools for the term commencing on Monday, the 3d day of October next, were presented from the following Wards by the Commissioners respectively named :

First Ward	Mr. MAHER,
Fifth Ward.....	Mr. DUPIGNAC,
Sixth Ward.....	Mr. BRENNAN,
Eighth Ward.....	Mr. MONTGOMERY,
Tenth Ward.....	Mr. KASMIRE,
Eleventh Ward	Mr. O'CONNOR,
Twelfth Ward.....	Mr. JACKSON,
Thirteenth Ward.....	Mr. KOSTER,
Seventeenth Ward.....	Mr. MILLER,
Nineteenth Ward	Mr. McSPEDON,
Twenty-first Ward.....	Mr. LIEBER,
Twenty-second Ward.....	Mr. FAIRCHILD.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communications be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, with power.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Sarah A. Sweeny, appealing from the action of the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, in removing her from the position of Music Teacher in Ward School No. 26 and Primary School No. 14, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

Objections by the President to signing Warrants.

The PRESIDENT stated his objections to signing warrants in payment of sundry bills, for the reasons hereinafter stated, which were severally disposed of, as follows :

Excess of amount allowed under the By-Laws.

John R. Miller, cleaning Ward School-House No. 14,
Twenty-first Ward\$206 87

In connection therewith, Mr. LIEBER offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are authorized to draw a warrant in favor of John R. Miller, for the sum of two hundred and six dollars and eighty-seven cents (\$206 87), in payment of his bill, incurred in cleaning Ward School-House No. 14, in the Twenty-first Ward.

Mr. TUTTILL moved that said resolution be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Bills requiring an appropriation before payment.

Robert Paton, extra furniture for Ward School-House No. 1, Fourth Ward.....	\$255 75
Charles Loeber, extra work on Ward School-House No. 1, Fourth Ward.....	68 00
A. H. Coulter, extra work on Ward School-House No. 1, Fourth Ward.....	98 90
John H. Hughes, extra work on Primary School-House in Monroe street, Seventh Ward.....	65 00

Bills in excess of the amount allowed by the By-Laws.

David Schaff, repairing roof of Ward School-House No. 34, in the Thirteenth Ward.....	\$255 27
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On motion—

Ordered, That said bills be referred to the Finance Committee.

Thirteenth Ward—J. C. Schultz, repairing piano..	\$80 00
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On motion—

Ordered, That said bill be referred to the Finance Committee, with power.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Evening Schools be and they are hereby directed to report to this Board at its next meeting, the propriety of allowing the Trustees of the several Wards to appoint Teachers of Mechanical Drawing in the Male Departments, and Teachers of Music in the Female Departments, of the Evening Schools.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

Mr. SMYTH offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward in excusing the absence of Miss Kate F. Hodgins, a Teacher in the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 17, for the months of July and September, 1864, be and is hereby confirmed, said absence having been caused by severe illness.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. SMALL offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That twenty-five per cent. be added to the amount of contract made by C. B. De Baun for building, and John Hughes for painting the new School-House in the Seventh Ward, known as Primary School No. 36, in consequence of the extraordinary rise in materials and labor since said contracts were made, and that the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the same.

On motion

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. McLAUGHLIN presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants, in payment of the following bills, for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

Warrant to Landlords, laying down carpets in the Hall	
of the Ward.....	\$9 00
Amount drawn cash paid for check and postage	
charges, cleaning Depos-	

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The President put the question whether the Board would ~~pass said~~ ~~and~~ ~~resolutions~~, and it was unanimously decided ~~in the affirmative~~.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the subject of fitting up and ~~furnishing~~ Primary School-House No. 41, in the Twelfth Ward, so as to adapt said School-House to the purposes of a Grammar School, and accompanied with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings be and they are ~~are~~ ~~authorized~~ from the further consideration of the subject of fitting up and furnishing Primary School-House No. 41, in the Twelfth Ward, so as to adapt said School-House to the purposes of a Grammar School.

JAMES L. MILLER, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT, WM. J. O'CONNOR,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The President put the question whether the Board would ~~pass said~~ ~~and~~ ~~resolution~~, and it was decided in the affirmative.

In connection with said subject, Mr. JACKSON offered for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the subject of furnishing Primary School-House No. 41, in the Twelfth Ward, so as to adapt said School-House to the purposes of a Grammar School, be referred to the Committee on School Furniture, with authority to furnish the same with such desks, chairs, settees, &c., belonging to the Board, as may be on hand and not in use.

Resolved, That Primary School No. 41, in the Twelfth Ward, having been changed to a Grammar School by authority of the Board of Education, said School be and the same is hereby designated and numbered Grammar School No. 54.

The President put the question whether the Board would

agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred, with power, the subject of altering and repairing Primary School-House No. 9, in the Seventeenth Ward, and accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of four thousand two hundred and twenty-one dollars (\$4,221) be and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bills incurred in altering and repairing the premises heretofore known as the First-street Presbyterian Church, recently purchased by the Board of Education for the use of Primary School No. 9, in the Seventeenth Ward, said alterations and repairs having been done under the direction of the Committee on Buildings, by authority of the Board of Education, and said bills to be paid on the approval of said Committee and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} <i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB. C. BOGERT,	
WM. J. O'CONNOR,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

Nay—Mr. Brennan—1.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Twenty-first Ward, asking authority to make sundry alterations and repairs to Ward School-House

No. 49, in said Ward, the expense thereof to be charged to the fund apportioned for the current expenses of said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign a warrant in favor of Edward Kilpatrick, for one thousand three hundred and sixty-five dollars (\$1,365), for making sundry alterations and repairs to Ward School-House No. 49, in the Twenty-first Ward, under a contract with the School Officers of said Ward, said amount to be charged to the fund apportioned for the current expenses of said Ward.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} Committee on Buildings.
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
WM. J. O'CONNOR,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. NEILSON presented a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, in favor of making a further appropriation for the support of the Saturday Female Normal School, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the support of the Saturday Female Normal School, for the balance of the current year.

Resolved, That the Committee on Normal Schools be authorized to make requisitions upon the Depository for such supplies as may be required for the use of the Saturday Female Normal School.

WM. H. NEILSON,	} Committee on Normal Schools.
JAMES W. FARR,	
WILSON SMALL,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, Huggins, Horan, O'Donnell, Dugignac, Tuthill, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Brown, Hayes, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—27.

Mr. BRENNAN presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills of William C. Lester, for repairing furnaces in the several School-Houses of the Twentieth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of William C. Lester, for the sum of seven hundred and seventy dollars and ninety-three cents (\$770 93), in payment of his bills for repairs of furnaces, &c., in the School buildings of the Twentieth Ward, incurred by the officers of said Ward, from August, 1863, to February, 1864.

S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,		
JEREMIAH WELCH,		
JACOB C. BOGERT,		

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

CONSIDERATION OF A REPORT POSTPONED AT THE LAST MEETING

The PRESIDENT stated, as the next order of business, the consideration of the report from the Finance Committee on the bills of D. Housten, for stoves and repairs of stoves in Schools in the Twelfth Ward, the consideration of which was postponed at the last meeting of the Board. (*Journal*, p. 235.)

The Clerk read the resolution attached to said report, as follows :

place of John G. Heffernan, removed ; Delia A. Master Vice-Principal of said School, in place of Isabel F. Richard resigned ; Sarah E. Raymond, Principal, and Harriet Budd Vice-Principal, of Primary School No. 36, in said Ward all of said nominations to take effect on and after October 1, 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers..

Communications nominating Principals and Vice-Principals in the Evening Schools for the term which commenced on Monday, the 3d day of October, instant, were presented by the Commissioners respectively named :

Seventh Ward.....Mr. SMALL.

Sixteenth Ward.....Mr. VANCE.

Eighteenth Ward.....Mr. NEILSON.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communications be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, with power.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Tuomey & Elder, in reference to compensation for loss on contract for placing heating apparatus in School-Houses in the Fourth, Seventh, and Eighth Wards.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from four Trustees of the Seventh Ward, protesting against the appointment of Janitor in Primary School No. 36, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

*Objections by the President to Signing Warrants.*¹

The PRESIDENT stated his objections to signing warrants in payment of the following bills, for the reason hereinafter stated, which were disposed of, as follows :

Not signed by an Inspector.

Bills of E. Rinehart, for painting, glazing, &c.
in Schools of Sixteenth Ward..... \$293 73

On motion—

Ordered, That said bills be referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. SMALL offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) be, and the same is hereby appropriated to pay bills incurred in repairing damages occasioned by fire in Ward School No. 2, Seventh Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, The contract for heating and ventilating Grammar School No. 27, in East Forty-second street, Nineteenth Ward, was awarded to Messrs. Baker & Smith ; and whereas, the said contractors have failed to properly heat said School building, and have removed the boilers attached to the heating apparatus placed therein, and substituted stacks of coil which are insufficient for the purposes intended ; therefore,

place of John G. Heffernan, removed ; Delia A. Masters Vice-Principal of said School, in place of Isabel F. Richards, resigned ; Sarah E. Raymond, Principal, and Harriet Budd, Vice-Principal, of Primary School No. 36, in said Ward—all of said nominations to take effect on and after October 1, 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Communications nominating Principals and Vice-Principals in the Evening Schools for the term which commenced on Monday, the 3d day of October, instant, were presented by the Commissioners respectively named :

Seventh Ward.....Mr. SMALL.
Sixteenth Ward.....Mr. VANCE.
Eighteenth Ward.....Mr. NEILSON.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communications be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, with power.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Tuomey & Elder, in reference to compensation for loss on contract for placing heating apparatus in School-Houses in the Fourth, Seventh, and Eighth Wards.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from four Trustees of the Seventh Ward, protesting against the appointment of Janitor in Primary School No. 36, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

*Objections by the President to Signing Warrants.*¹

The PRESIDENT stated his objections to signing warrants in payment of the following bills, for the reason hereinafter stated, which were disposed of, as follows :

Not signed by an Inspector.

Bills of E. Rinehart, for painting, glazing, &c.
in Schools of Sixteenth Ward..... \$293 73

On motion—

Ordered, That said bills be referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. SMALL offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) be, and the same is hereby appropriated to pay bills incurred in repairing damages occasioned by fire in Ward School No. 2, Seventh Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, The contract for heating and ventilating Grammar School No. 27, in East Forty-second street, Nineteenth Ward, was awarded to Messrs. Baker & Smith ; and whereas, the said contractors have failed to properly heat said School building, and have removed the boilers attached to the heating apparatus placed therein, and substituted stacks of coil which are insufficient for the purposes intended ; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Warming and Ventilation be and they are hereby authorized to examine the heating apparatus of said School, and to report to this Board what action in their opinion will be necessary to properly heat said School: also, what course they may deem most advisable to adopt to compel Messrs. Baker & Smith to fulfil the terms of their contract.

On motion—

Ordered, That said preamble and resolution be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

On motion of Mr. BOICE—

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to re-hire for the term of one year, from the first day of November, 1864, the premises now occupied by Primary School No. 4, in One-hundred-and-twentieth street, in said Ward, at an annual rent of four hundred dollars (\$400), the rent now paid, said lease to be approved by the President, and Chairman of the Finance Committee, or by either of them.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit:

The Manhattan Gas Light Company, gas consumed at the Hall of the Board from June 20 to September 19, 1864.....	\$25 58
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for check and postage stamps, for Clerk and Superintendent's offices, letter carriage three months to October 1, cleaning Depository, cartages, express charge, and sundries, from September 21 to October 5.....	138 06

WALTER W. ADAMS,
OWEN KINNEY,
ORLANDO P. SMITH,
JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,

} *Auditing
Committee.*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Fifth Ward, relative to the condition of the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 44, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Buildings be and they are hereby discharged from the further consideration of the communication from the School Officers of the Fifth Ward, relative to the condition of the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 44, in said Ward, and that said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} Committee on Buildings.
WM. J. O'CONNOR,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
W. W. ADAMS,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred, with power, the subject of altering and rebuilding the rear stairs and staircase of Ward School-House No. 42, in the Tenth Ward, provided the amount of said work be taken out of the fund for the incidental expenses of said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of four thousand nine hundred and forty-seven dollars and thirty-seven cents (\$4,947 37) be and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bills incurred in altering and rebuilding the rear stairs and

staircase of Ward School-House No. 42, in the Tenth Ward, said work having been done under the direction of the Committee on Buildings, said bills to be paid on the approval of said Committee and the Superintendent of School Buildings.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} Committee on Buildings.
WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
W. W. ADAMS,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, O'Donnell, Kinney, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Koster, Hayes, West, McLaughlin, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

Nays—Messrs. Tuthill, Brennan—2.

Mr. HITCHMAN presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, asking an appropriation sufficient to purchase a new piano for the use of the Female Department of Ward School No. 1, in said Ward ; and the resolution offered by Commissioner Small, in favor of appropriating three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) for the purchase of a piano for the use of Primary School No. 36, in the Seventh Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of seven hundred dollars (\$700) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing two pianos, one for the Female Department of Grammar School No. 1, in the Fourth Ward, and one for Primary School No. 36, in the Seventh Ward, said pianos to be purchased by the Trustees of the Fourth and Seventh Wards respectively, subject to the approval of the Com-

mittee on School Furniture, at an expense not to exceed three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) each ; but no part of the money to be paid until the party of whom each piano is purchased shall have certified the price at which the same is sold, and what money, if any, has been previously paid thereon, and that the payment of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) is in full satisfaction of all payment to be made on said piano, and that there is no charge, lien, or claim whatsoever against said piano, or on account thereof.

WILLIAM HITCHMAN,	} Committee
JAMES L. HASTIE,	
BENJAMIN P. FAIRCHILD,	
	on School
	Furniture.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Patten, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Montgomery, Adams, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Koster, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

Nay—Mr. Neilson—1.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills for extra work incurred in the erection of Ward School Building No. 1, in the Fourth Ward, and Primary School Building No. 36, in the Seventh Ward, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and sixty-six dollars and ninety cents (\$166 90) be, and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bills of Alexander H. Coulter and Charles Loeber, for extra work on Ward School-House No. 1, in the Fourth Ward.

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and fifty-five dollars and seventy-five cents (\$255 75) be, and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bill of Robert Paton, for extra work done in furnishing Ward School No. 1, in the Fourth Ward.

Resolved, That the sum of sixty-five dollars (\$65) be and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bill of John H. Hughes, for extra work on Primary School-House No. 36, in the Seventh Ward.

O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, S. J. MONTGOMERY, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JACOB C. BOGERT,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Patten, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon Connelly, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—34.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee of Teachers, to whom was referred the resolution relative to confirming the action of the Board of Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward in excusing the absence of Miss Kate F. Hodgings, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, in excusing the absence of Miss Kate Hodgings, be and the same is hereby confirmed, and the President and Clerk be authorized to sign warrants for her salary for the months of July and September.

JAS. B. DUPIGNAC, WM. H. NEILSON, CHARLES BOICE, ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred the communications from the Boards of Trustees of the Fourth, Fifth, and Twenty-second Wards, nominating candidates for certain Principalships and Vice-Principalships in their respective Wards, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Michael H. Kiley and Mary Kelly, nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Fourth Ward for the positions of Vice-Principals of the Male and Primary Departments respectively of Ward School No. 1 ; Hannah E. Tappen and Mary C. Tate, nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Fifth Ward for the respective positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 44 ; John D. Robinson, John Jasper, Jr., and Evander C. Childs, nominated by the Board of Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward for the respective positions of Principal of Grammar School No. 17, and Principal and Vice-Principal of Grammar School No. 9—each having, as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent, the requisite qualifications—be, and they are hereby appointed to the respective positions to which they have been nominated by the Boards of Trustees aforesaid ; said nominations to take effect from and after the dates fixed in said communications.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC, ARTHUR O'DONNELL, CHARLES BOICE, WM. H. NEILSON,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the resolution to apportion one thousand five hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$1,575) to the Seventh Ward, in addition to the amount already apportioned, to pay the salaries of Teachers appointed in the new Primary School just opened in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) be and the same is hereby apportioned to the Seventh Ward, for the payment of Teachers' salaries in addition to the sum already apportioned, to pay the salaries of Teachers that may be required in the new Primary School in Monroe street, provided the employment of such additional Teachers is in conformity with the conditions of the By-Law passed by this Board, April 20, 1864, in reference to the appointment of Teachers by the Board of Trustees in any Ward.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,	} Committee on Teachers.
ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	
CHARLES BOICE,	
WM. H. NEILSON,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Patten, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Montgomery, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Hayes, West, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—27.

Mr. BRENNAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, relative to the number of each book, chart, &c., used in the Schools for the year ending August 1, 1864.

TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	} Committee on Supplies.
JAMES W. FARR,	
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,	
JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,	

On motion—

Ordered, That said report be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books.

Mr. WEST presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, recommending sundry amendments to the By-Laws.

HENRY P. WEST,	} Committee on By-Laws, Rules and Regulations.
FREDERICK SMYTH,	
WILSON SMALL,	
ANDREW J. KASMIRE,	

In connection therewith Mr. WEST offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Rules and Regulations be laid on the table and printed ; that the report be made the special order after the third order of business at the first stated session in November, and that the Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to send a copy of said report to each member of the Board as soon as it is printed.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative. (*Document No. 8.*)

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. VANCE—

Resolved, That the Principals of the Evening Schools be and they are hereby required to report to the Clerk of the Board of Education, every two weeks, the average attendance of scholars and the number of teachers employed, commencing from the opening of the present term.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAS. M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Maher, Patten, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Iney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Perley, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, McLaughlin, Miller, Haydon, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Lieberman, Smyth—35.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Huggins, Horan, Carey, Jackson, Boice, Vance, Fairchild—8.

READING OF THE JOURNAL AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

A communication was presented from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, making application for permission to put stoves in Ward School-House No. 37, sufficient to heat the building properly.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. SMYTH presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking permission to obtain

additional Settees for the Male and Female Departments.
Grammar School No. 17, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

Mr. SMYTH presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, nominating Mary A. Delany as Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 35, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. SMYTH presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, in relation to the heating apparatus in Ward School No. 51, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. O'CONNOR presented a communication from the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, relative to repairs of Ward School-House No. 36, and heating apparatus of Primary Schools Nos. 5 and 39, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That so much of said communication as relates to repairs, be referred to the Committee on Buildings, and so much as relates to heating, be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. MILLER presented a communication from the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, nominating Emma N. Wicks for Principal, and Emily M. Greenwood for Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 26, in said Ward.

On motion

That said communication be referred to the Com-

Mr. LIEBER presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, nominating Sarah F. Buckelew as Principal and Charlotte A. Halstead as Vice Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 49, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. ROOSEVELT presented a communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking that leave of absence, not to exceed three months, be granted to Miss Anna M. Rogers, Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 10, in said Ward, on account of severe sickness.

In connection therewith Mr. ROOSEVELT presented for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Boards of Trustees and School Officers of the Fifteenth Ward are hereby authorized to grant Miss Anna M. Rogers leave of absence during their pleasure, not, however, to exceed three months from the first day of November next.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication and resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from William Beard, Jr., praying for relief as contractor for doing the carpenter work in the erection of Primary School-House No. 36, in the Seventh Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Jupiter Z. M. K. Hesser, applying for appointment as

teacher of German in the Schools of the Twelfth and Twenty-second Wards.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John T. Barnard, asking relief as contractor for supplying the Schools with coal.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Supplies.

Objections by the President to signing Warrants.

The PRESIDENT stated his objections to signing warrants in payment of two bills, for the reason hereinafter stated, which were severally disposed of, as follows :

Bill requiring an appropriation before payment.

William Beard, Jr., extra work on Primary School-House No. 36, in the Seventh Ward.....\$181 00

Excessive in amount.

Jackson & Son, plastering Ward School-House No. 35, in the Fifteenth Ward.....\$299 83

On motion—

Ordered, That said bills be referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. O'DONNELL offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Warming and Ventilation and the Engineer of this Board be, and they are hereby, directed to cause an examination of the heating apparatus in

Primary School-House No. 14, in the Fourth Ward, to be made at their earliest convenience, and that they be authorized to cause such repairs to be made to said apparatus as said examination shall prove to be necessary to render the same effective and capable of properly heating said School-House.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Adams presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants, in payment of the following bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

C. S. Westcott & Co., printing circulars, notices, journals, documents, &c., from July 8 to October 17.....	\$456 32
Macoy & Herwig, printing pay-rolls, reports, and notices for office of City Superintendent, 3,000 large envelopes for Clerk's Office, &c., &c.....	217 00
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for cartage, express charges, cleaning Depository, check and postage stamps, and sundries, from October 5 to October 19... ..	98 64
E. Marrenner, repairing and putting up stoves at the Hall of the Board, zinc, brick, sheet iron, &c., used in connection therewith.....	143 50
Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's Office...	69 05

WALTER W. ADAMS, • ORLANDO P. SMITH, THOMAS BROWN, OWEN KINNEY, JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills of E. Rinehart for painting

and glazing in the Sixteenth Ward, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of two hundred and ninety-three dollars and seventy-three cents (\$293 73), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of E. Rinehart for the sum of two hundred and seventy-two dollars and seventy cents (\$272 70), in payment of his bills dated September 1st, 1864, for painting and glazing incurred by the Officers of the Sixteenth Ward.

O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JACOB C. BOGERT, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, in favor of making sundry general appropriations from the amounts set apart for the purposes named therein, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sums hereinafter named be appropriated out of the amounts reserved respectively for the purposes named :

For salaries of Teachers in Ward Schools.....	\$200,000 00
For salaries of Janitors in Ward Schools.....	10,000 00
For incidental expenses of Ward Schools, balance.....	17,000 00
For support of the Free Academy, balance.....	9,000 00
For support of Evening Schools, balance.....	2,000 00
For rents of School premises, balance.....	5,000 00
For salaries of Officers of the Board of Education, balance.....	12,000 00
For appropriation to Corporate Schools.....	15,048 26

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O. P. SMITH, JEREMIAH WELCH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JACOB C. BOGERT, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Maher, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Bogert, Welch, Kasmire, O'Connor, Koster, Brown, Hayes, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, McLaughlin, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth—25.

Mr. SMITH presented the following report from the Finance Committee, on the condition of the fund reserved for special appropriations, which, on motion, was ordered to be entered in full on the Journal.

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee respectfully submit the following statement of the condition of the fund for special appropriations :

Amount of excess of appropriations over	
amount set apart at date of last report,	
July 20.....	\$160,610 06
Appropriated since by the Board :	
July 20—for clock in Ward	
School No. 8, in	
Eighth Ward.....	\$250 00
September 7—For registers, pipes,	
&c., in new Ward	
School - House in	
Sixteenth Ward..	1,152 25
“ 7—For registers, pipes,	
&c., in new Ward	
School - House in	
Eighteenth Ward.	1,218 80
“ 21—For fitting up Pri-	
mary School-House	
No. 9, in Seven-	
teenth Ward.....	4,221 00
“ 21—For Saturday Normal	
School.....	1,500 00

in the Fourteenth Ward in 1863, amounting to three hundred and thirty-one dollars and forty-one cents (\$331 41), proved by the officers of the Ward for the said sum, that the Clerk of the Board had effected a settlement of the bills by paying said Carey two hundred and twenty-five dollars and sixty-four cents (\$225 64), recommending a warrant be drawn in favor of Thomas Boesé, the Clerk of the Ward for said amount, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of Thomas Boesé, for the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars and sixty-four cents (\$225 64) in payment of the bills of John Carey, for repairs of stoves, &c., in the buildings of the Fourteenth Ward, said amount having been paid by him in the settlement of said bills.

O. P. SMITH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would concur in said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, and it was referred to the bill of J. C. Schuetz, for repairing the Primary Department of Ward School No. 34, Fourteenth Ward, amounting to eighty dollars (\$80), submitted to the matter for the consideration of the Board, and to be discharged from the further consideration.

ORLANDO P. SMITH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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as the last payment on their contract for heating said School, said payment being conditioned that said apparatus should give the requisite amount of heat in the coldest winter weather.

JOHN HAYES, JAS. B. DUPIGNAC, WM. HITCHMAN, JAMES W. FARR,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom were referred the communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, relative to the condition of the heating apparatus in Ward School No. 48, in said Ward, and the communication from the School Officers of the Eighteenth Ward, relative to the condition of the heating apparatus in Ward School No. 50, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward be and they are hereby, authorized, in conjunction with the Committee on Warming and Ventilation and the Engineer of the Board of Education, to repair the heating apparatus in Ward School No. 48, in said Ward, at an expense not to exceed one thousand three hundred dollars (\$1,300), and that the School Officers of the Eighteenth Ward be, and they are hereby authorized, in conjunction with the Committee and Engineer aforesaid, to repair the heating apparatus in Ward School No. 50, in said Ward, at an expense not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500), said repairs aforesaid to be done under the direction of the School Officers of the respective Wards and the Committee and Engineer aforesaid, the bills for said repairs to be paid on the certificates of the several officers aforesaid, or a majority of them, and that the amounts thereof be paid from the fund reserved for special appropriations for the year 1865.

JOHN HAYES, JAS. B. DUPIGNAC, WM. HITCHMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
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[October 19,

The President moved to amend said resolution, by striking out the words "the sums reserved for special appropriations for the year 1864" and inserting as follows: "the sums to be appropriated to the Fourteenth and Eighteenth Wards, respectively, for the maintenance of the Schools in said Wards, in the year 1864."

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

~~James French, J. Daniel, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kin-~~
~~ney, Ventr, Sumner, J. Connor, Perley, Koster, Brown,~~
~~Spicer, West, Brewster, McLoughlin, Miller, Hayward,~~
~~Ward, H. Connor, Macpherson, Connelly, Hastie, Lieber-~~

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~~James French, James French, Robert—3~~

The President presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to which was referred the communication from the Board of the Thirteenth Ward, asking that Miss Josephine Jackson be paid for services as a teacher in said Ward, from the 1st day of June to the 1st day of September, and accompanied with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they here-
by are authorized to sign a warrant for the salary of Miss
Josephine Jackson, for services as an assistant teacher in
Public School No. 20, in the Thirteenth Ward, from the
1st day of June to the 1st day of September, 1864.

JAS. B. DUPIGNAC, } Committee
WM. H. NEILSON, } on
ARTHUR O'DONNELL, } Teachers.

The President put the question whether the Board would
agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirma-
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Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred the communications from the Trustees of the Seventh and Fifteenth Wards, respectively, nominating candidates for certain Principal and Vice-Principalships in their respective Wards, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That James McCormack and Delia A. Masters, nominated by the Trustees of the Seventh Ward for the Vice-Principalships of the Male and Female Departments of Ward School No. 2, and Sarah E. Raywood and Harriet Budd, also nominated by the Trustees of the Seventh Ward for the Principal and Vice-Principalships of Primary School No. 36, and Buel C. Mather, nominated by the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward for Vice-Principal of Ward School No. 10, Male Department, each having, as appears from the certificate of the City Superintendent, the necessary qualifications, be, and they hereby are, appointed to the positions to which they have severally been nominated.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,	} <i>Committee</i>
WM. H. NEILSON,	
ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	
	<i>on Teachers.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. WEST presented a report from the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books, to whom was referred the report from the Committee on Supplies (*Journal*, page 58), relative to the number of each book, chart, &c., used in the Schools for the year ending August 1, 1864, stating that they had carefully revised said list, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the list of books, charts, &c., hereto annexed, be added to the list of supplies to be furnished to the schools during the year 1865.

H P. WEST,	} <i>Committee on</i>
WM. H. NEILSON,	
JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	
	<i>Course of Studies</i>
	<i>and School Books.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, The resolution adopted by this Board on the 21st ultimo, directed that Ward School No. 54, Twelfth Ward, be furnished under the direction of the Committee on School Furniture, with the furniture now in the possession of this Board, and said furniture aforesaid is not suitable for the assembly room of said School ; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on School Furniture be, and they are hereby, authorized to procure such furniture as may be required to furnish Ward School No. 54, in the Twelfth Ward, in addition to the furniture that the Superintendent of School Buildings may have on hand, not required for other Schools, said furniture to be procured on proposals in pursuance of plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings.

On motion—

Ordered, That said preamble and resolution be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

Mr. FARR offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Principal of the Free Academy be, and he is hereby, directed to report to this Board, at its first meeting in November, through the Executive Committee on Free Academy, the whole number of students who attended said institution during the Academic year ending July 14, 1864, the whole number now in attendance at said institution, the whole number of Professors and Tutors at present employed, the whole number of classes, and the number of studies pursued in each class, the average and whole number of students in each class respectively, the annual salaries paid to each Professor and Tutor, and the number of hours per day that each one is employed ; and that said Principal, and the Executive Committee on Free Academy, be directed to report, at the same meeting, whether, in their judgments

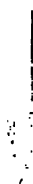
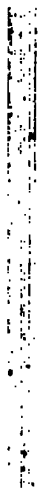
respectively, the studies in said institution cannot be so consolidated as to reduce the expenses of supporting said institution.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Executive Committee on Free Academy.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1864.**STATED SESSION.**

Present—JAS. M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Huggins, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—35.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Horan, Patten, Kasmire, O'Connor, Boice, Connolly—8.

READING OF THE JOURNAL AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. BROWN presented a communication from the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, nominating Mary McCormack as Vice-Principal of the Female Department of the Evening School in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools, with power.

Mr. O'DONNELL presented a communication from the School Officers of the Fourth Ward, asking that a cold water feeder be furnished Grammar School No. 1, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. WELCH presented a communication from the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, nominating Mary E. Miller as Vice-Principal of the Primary Department of Grammar School No. 7, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Geo. W. Wilkinson, applying for appointment as Teacher in the Evening Schools.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. HASTIE offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, in excusing the absence of Charlotte J. Beardsley, a teacher in the Primary Department of Ward School No. 48, in said Ward, for the month of October, be confirmed, said absence having been occasioned by severe illness.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

Mr. SMITH offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to increase the salary of Mr. Appo, the Music Teacher in Colored School No. 7, from one hundred dollars (\$100) to one hundred and twenty dollars (\$120) per annum, from and after the 1st of November, 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. HITCHMAN offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the School Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, in excusing the absence of Mary E. Ennis, a teacher in the Female Department of Grammar School No. 53, in said Ward, for the month of October, 1864, be and the same is hereby confirmed, said absence having been caused by serious illness.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

Mr. FARR offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, in excusing the absence of Miss Sarah M. George, an assistant teacher in Primary Department of Ward School No. 3, for the month of October, be confirmed, said absence having been caused by severe illness.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That the Board will, immediately after the third order of business, at its next stated meeting, proceed to the election of two Assistant Superintendents of Schools, in place of William Jones and Norman A. Calkins, to take effect from the first day of January next, when the official terms of the present incumbents aforesaid expire.

On motion of Mr. NEILSON—

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books to examine and report whether the present system of instruction in our Grammar Schools is not calculated to interfere with the proper mental and physical development of the pupils.

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On motion of Mr. NELSON—

Resolved. That no session of the Evening Schools be held on the evenings of both elections, and of Christmas eve, provided the time thus allowed be made up at the end of the term.

Mr. MILLER offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved. That the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$225) be and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bill of Alonso Taylor for clock for Primary School No. 26, in the Seventeenth Ward.

On motion—

Resolved. That said resolution be referred to the Finance Committee, with power.

CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL ORDER.

The President announced as the next business the consideration of the special order, being a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, recommending amendments to the By-Laws. (*Journal*, p. 259.)

Mr. WALKER moved that the consideration of said report be postponed until the next regular meeting of the Board, and that it then be made the special order of business immediately after the consideration of the special order already proposed.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. WALKER presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved. That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills, in the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

H. Murphy, subscription to the New York Times, Tribune, and World, six months each, from July 1, 1864, to Jan. 1, 1865.....	\$18 72
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for check and postage stamps, cleaning Depository, cartage, express charges and sundries, from October 19, to November 2, 1864.....	111 52
S. Hyde, sprinkling streets in front of the Hall of the Board, for the months of September and October.....	8 56
Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's Office....	74 00

W. W. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
O. P. SMITH,	
THOMAS BROWN,	
OWEN KINNEY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. JACKSON presented the following report from the Committee on Annual Estimate and Apportionment :

To the Board of Education :

The Committee on Annual Estimate and Apportionment respectfully report :

That the Committee have made an estimate of the probable amount for the year 1865, for the purpose of meeting the current annual expenses of Common School Instruction, and present the same to the Board, in the form of a report to the Board of Supervisors, as follows: :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,	}
IN BOARD OF EDUCATION,	
November 2, 1864.	

*To the Board of Supervisors for the
City and County of New York :*

In pursuance of the first subdivision of the third section of the Act to amend, consolidate, and reduce to one act the various acts relative to the Common Schools of the City of New York, the Board of Education hereby reports an esti-

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he same Act, the Board of Education estimates that the balance will be the amount over and above the sum specified in the fifteenth section of said Act, which will be required during the year 1865, for the purpose of meeting the annual expenses of public instruction in the city of New York.

And the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing estimate be duly authenticated under the seal of this Board, in duplicate, and submitted to the Board of Supervisors and to the Board of Finance Commissioners, as provided by law.

All which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID S. JACKSON, Jr.,	} <i>Committee</i>	
EDWARD B. HEATH,		<i>on Annual</i>
THOMAS BROWN,		<i>Estimate and</i>
EDWARD L. CAREY,		<i>Apportionment.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Huggins, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, McLean, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—31.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to making certain alterations and repairs on Ward School-House No. 49, in the Twenty-first Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of nine hundred and fifty-seven dollars and ninety-four cents (\$957 94), be and the same is hereby appropriated in part payment of bills incurred for making sundry alterations and repairs on Ward School-House No. 49, in the Twenty-first Ward, under the direction of the Committee on Buildings.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} <i>Committee on</i>	
JEREMIAH WELCH,		<i>Buildings.</i>
W. W. ADAMS,		
JACOB C. BOGERT,		

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Hensch, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Bogert, Welch, Perley, Jackson, Foster, Brown, Hayes, Murray, Smith, Vance, Miller, Neilson, Hittman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieberman, Fairchild—26.

Mr. **SMITH** presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills of Messrs. Jackson & Son, for repairs in the Fifteenth Ward, amounting to two hundred and ninety-nine dollars and eighty-three cents (\$299 83), and Wm. Beard, Jr., for extra work done under his contract for building Primary School-House No. 36, in the Seventh Ward, amounting to one hundred and eighty-one dollars (\$181), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they hereby are authorized to draw warrants in favor of Jackson & Son, for the sum of two hundred and ninety-nine dollars and eighty-three cents (\$299 83), in payment of their bill for repairs in a Ward School Building No. 35, in the Fifteenth Ward, and of Wm. Beard, Jr., for the sum of one hundred and eighty-one dollars (\$181), in payment of his bill for extra work on Primary School Building No. 36, in the Seventh Ward, and this amount is hereby appropriated for such purposes.

Q. P. SMITH,	} Finance Committee
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Hensch, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Brennan, Carey, Small, Bogert, Welch, Perley,

Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Fairchild—25.

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from Tuomey and Elder, praying for relief as contractors for heating Ward School-House No. 1, in the Fourth Ward, Primary School-House No. 36, in the Seventh Ward, and Ward School-House No. 8, in the Eighth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of Tuomey & Elder, for the sum of six thousand three hundred and nineteen dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$6,319 69), which amount be and the same is hereby appropriated, and to be paid from the School Fund of 1865, on the 1st day of April of said year, as an allowance to the said Tuomey & Elder, for losses sustained by them in warming and ventilating Ward School No. 1, in the Fourth Ward, Primary School No. 36, in the Seventh Ward, and Ward School No. 8, in the Eighth Ward ; said losses having been occasioned by the unprecedented rise in material and labor, between the time of estimating for said work, and completing the same by the said Tuomey & Elder ; they, the said Tuomey and Elder, being prevented from commencing and completing said work pursuant to the terms of their contracts from causes over which they had no control.

JOHN HAYES,	} Committee on
JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	
WM. HITCHMAN,	
D. S. JACKSON, Jr.,	
JAMES W. FARR,	
	Warming and
	Ventilation.

On motion of Mr. SMYTH—

Ordered, That said report be laid upon the table until the next stated session of the Board, and that it then be considered in connection with other reports from Standing Committees.

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, in regard to the heating appa-

tus of School-Houses in the Sixteenth and Eighteenth Wards, submitting the matter for the consideration of the Board.

JOHN HAYES,	} Committee on Warming and Ventilation.
JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	
WM. HITCHMAN,	
D. S. JACKSON, JR.,	
JAMES W. FARR,	

Mr. SMITH, in connection with said report, offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved. That the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to contract with Tuomey & Elder for warming and ventilating apparatus for the new School-House in Twentieth street, in said Ward, at an expense of nine thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$9,150), which amount be and is hereby appropriated for said purpose : said work to be done according to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, with the following conditions : Accurate drawings of said apparatus shall accompany said contract, and said sum a part thereof, and when the certificate of the Superintendent of School Buildings is on file in the Clerk's office, the sum of four thousand five hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$4,575), or fifty per cent. in value of the said amount of nine thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$9,150), has been expended in putting said apparatus in said building, then the said Tuomey & Elder shall be entitled to and shall receive the sum of two thousand seven hundred and forty-five dollars (\$2,745), being thirty per cent. of the aforementioned sum of nine thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$9,150), and a like amount of two thousand seven hundred and forty-five dollars (\$2,745) when the whole of said work is completed, being an additional thirty per cent. on said contract : the money to be paid on the certificate of said Superintendent that said work is completed in all respects to his satisfaction ; and the remaining sum of three thousand six hundred and sixty dollars (\$3,660), being sixty per cent. on the amount of said contract, on the first day of March, 1893, provided said apparatus shall have been placed to the satisfaction of a majority of the School Officers of said Sixteenth Ward, the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and the Engineer of the Board of Education,

capable of heating said School-House to 70 degrees Fahrenheit, in the coldest weather, prior to the first of March, 1865 ; and provided, also, that said Tuomey & Elder shall have executed a bond in such form, in such penalty, and with such sureties, as shall be satisfactory to the Finance Committee, conditioned that the aforesaid Tuomey & Elder shall keep said apparatus in good repair, order, and condition, at their own cost and expense, for the term of five years.

Mr. HAYWARD, in connection with said report, also offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Eighteenth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to contract with Tuomey & Elder for warming and ventilating apparatus for the new School-House in East Twenty-third street, between Second and Third avenues, in said Ward, at an expense of nine thousand three hundred and fifty dollars (\$9,350), which amount be and is hereby appropriated for that purpose ; said work to be done according to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, with the following conditions : Accurate drawings of said apparatus shall accompany said contract, and shall form a part thereof, and when the certificate of the Superintendent of School Buildings is on file in the Clerk's office, that the sum of four thousand six hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$4,675), or fifty per cent. in value of the said amount of nine thousand three hundred and fifty dollars (\$9,350), has been expended in putting said apparatus in said building, then the said Tuomey & Elder shall be entitled to, and shall receive the sum of two thousand eight hundred and five dollars (\$2,805), being thirty per cent. of the aforementioned sum of nine thousand three hundred and fifty dollars (\$9,350), and a like amount of two thousand eight hundred and five dollars (\$2,805), when the whole of said work is completed, being an additional thirty per cent. on the amount of said contract, the amount to be paid on the certificate of said Superintendent that said work is completed in all respects to his satisfaction ; and the remaining sum of three thousand seven hundred and forty dollars (\$3,740), being forty per cent. on the amount of said contract, on the first day of March, 1865, provided said apparatus shall have been proved to the satisfaction of a majority of the School Officers of said Eighteenth Ward, the Committee on Warming and Venti-

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hereby appropriated for the purpose of furnishing Grammar School No. 54, in the Twelfth Ward, pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture; the work to be done under the direction of the School Officers of said Twelfth Ward, and the Superintendent and Committee aforesaid.

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), be and the same is hereby appropriated for providing additional settees and other School Furniture for the use of the Male and Female Departments of Ward School No. 17, in the Twenty-second Ward, pursuant to plans and specifications to be prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture, said Committee being hereby authorized to invite proposals for doing said work in accordance with said plans and specifications, and to award the contract therefor to the lowest bidder; said work to be done under the direction of the School Officers of said Twenty-second Ward, and the Superintendent and Committee aforesaid.

WM. HITCHMAN, B. P. FAIRCHILD, J. L. HASTIE, JOHN P. HUGGINS,	} Committee on School Furniture.
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Carey, Small, Adams, Farr, Welch, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Smith, Miller, Hastie, McLean, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—23.

Nay—Mr. Brennan—1.

Mr. TUTHILL presented a report from the Committee on Sites, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Thirteenth Ward, asking an appropriation of twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000), for the purpose of purchasing the property known as the Cannon street Baptist Church, for the use of Primary Schools

Nos. 10 and 21, in said Ward, accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved. That the sum of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) appropriated on the 6th day of May, 1863, for the purchase of a School site on the south side of Cannon street, for the use of Primary Schools Nos. 10 and 21, in the Thirteenth Ward, be and the same is hereby transferred to the account of "Special Appropriations," said purchase never having been consummated by the School Officers of said Ward.

Resolved. That the sum of twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000), be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of the property known as the Cannon street Baptist Church, and the lots on which said church is located, for the use of Primary Schools Nos. 10 and 21, in the Thirteenth Ward, provided the three lots on which said church is situated are unitedly not less than seventy-five feet front and rear by one hundred feet deep ; but no part of said money to be paid until the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation is on file in the Clerk's office, that the title to said property is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, said amount of twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000) to be paid from the School Fund of 1865.

JAMES M. TUTHILL,	} Committee on Sites.
B. P. FAIRCHILD,	
EDWARD B. HEATH,	
JAMES L. HASTIE,	
THOMAS MCSPEDON,	

MR. NIELSON moved that the report aforesaid be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Yeas. Messrs. Heath, Tuthill, Kinney, Carey, Small, Welch, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Russell, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, McClellan, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—23.

Nays—Messrs. Brennan, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Neilson—5.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, asking leave of absence for Miss Anna M. Rogers, by reason of severe illness, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, be and they are hereby authorized to grant Miss Anna M. Rogers, Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 10, leave of absence not exceeding three months from the first day of November, 1864.

JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	} Committee
WM. H. NEILSON,	
ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	
	on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred the several communications from the Trustees of the Seventeenth, Twenty-first, and Twenty-second Wards, nominating sundry candidates for certain Principal and Vice-Principalships in their respective Wards, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Emma N. Wicks and Emily M. Greenwood, nominated by the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, for the positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 26, from the 15th day of October ; Sarah F. Luckelew and Charlotte A. Halstead, nominated by the Trustees of the Twenty-first Ward, for the positions of Principal and Vice-Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 49, from the first day of October ; and Mary A. Delaney, nominated by the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 35, from the first day of October—each having as appears from the certificates of the City Superintendent, hereto annexed) the requisite qualifications, be and they

hereby are appointed to the positions for which they have been respectively nominated.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC, }
WM. H. NEILSON, } *Committee*
ARTHUR O'DONNELL, } *on Teachers*

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. HITCHMAN, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—39.

Absent—Commissioners Huggins, Patten, Carey, Kas-mire—4.

READING OF THE JOURNAL AND MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON FREE ACADEMY.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

The minutes of the Executive Committee on Free Academy were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. SMYTH presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, asking that an appropriation, not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500), be made for the purpose of repairing the heating apparatus of Grammar School No. 51, in said Ward, the work to be done under the supervision of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation and the Engineer of the Board.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. ADAMS presented a communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Charlotte White as Vice-Principal of the Female Department of Grammar School No. 8, in said Ward, to date from October 1, 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. SMITH presented a communication from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, nominating Margaret A. Coleman as Vice-Principal of Female Grammar School No. 45, in said Ward ; Mary E. Phelan, as Vice-Principal of Primary Department of Grammar School No. 11, in said Ward ; and Sarah A. H. Douglass as Vice-Principal of Ward School No. 7 (colored), in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. MURRAY presented a communication from the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, nominating Sarah E. Woodward as Principal of the Junior Grammar Department of Ward School No. 47, in said Ward, and Josephine H. Sheldon Vice-Principal of the same Department, said nominations to take effect January 1, 1865.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from five Trustees and one Inspector of the First Ward, asking that a Committee be authorized to investigate the conduct of Lewis W. Annan, Principal of Ward School No. 29, in said Ward, in reference to his school duties.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Investigation.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, nominating Inspectors of Common Schools :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, November 16. 1864. }

To the Honorable the Board of Education :

GENTLEMEN : In accordance with the provisions of the fourth section of an Act, entitled " An act relative to Common Schools in the city of New York," passed April 25, 1864, I hereby nominate the following persons as Inspectors of Common Schools in the districts for which they are respectively designated, to hold office for the term of three years from and after the first day of January, 1865, subject to the confirmation of your Honorable Body :

For the First District, comprising the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Eighth Wards, I nominate as Inspector William B. Eager, Jr., residing at No. 9 Beach street, in said city.

For the Second District, comprising the Seventh, Tenth, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Wards, I nominate as Inspector John Hecker, residing at No. 25 Rutgers place.

For the Third District, comprising the Ninth and Sixteenth Wards, I nominate as Inspector James Kelly, residing at No. 207 West Nineteenth street.

For the Fourth District, comprising the Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards, I nominate as Inspector Andrew Mills, residing at No. 207 Second avenue.

For the Fifth District, comprising the Fifteenth and Eighteenth Wards, I nominate as Inspector James W. Gerard, residing at No. 17 Gramercy Park.

For the Sixth District, comprising the Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards, I nominate as Inspector John H. Anthon, residing at No. 47 East Thirtieth street.

For the Seventh District, comprising the Twelfth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-second Wards, I nominate as Inspector L. H. Buckbee, residing at Sixty-ninth street, near Tenth avenue.

C. GODFREY GUNTHER,

Mayor.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. O'DONNELL offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Fourth Ward, in dismissing the Schools of said Ward on the occasion of the late election, be and the same is hereby confirmed, said Schools having been dismissed by the Trustees aforesaid, at the solicitation of a large number of the parents of the children attending the same, from an apprehension of disturbance in the streets of the Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

No. 1.

Election of Assistant Superintendents of Schools.

The PRESIDENT announced, as the next business in order, the election of two Assistant Superintendents of Schools, in place of William Jones and Norman A. Calkins, for the term of two years from the first day of January next, when the official terms of the present incumbents expire. (*Journal*, page 279.)

Election of Assistant Superintendent in place of William Jones.

On motion—

Ordered, That the Board do now proceed to elect an Assistant Superintendent in place of William Jones.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. WEST and HASTIE, as tellers.

First Ballot.

The Clerk called the roll, and thirty-nine (39) members answered to their names as they deposited their ballots.

The tellers reported the whole number of votes cast....39

Necessary to a choice.....20

Of which William Jones received.....19

George W. Cooper.....17

Norman A. Calkins..... 3

—39

The PRESIDENT thereupon announced that there was no election, and that the Board would proceed to a second ballot.

Second Ballot.

The Clerk called the roll, and thirty-nine (39) members answered to their names as they deposited their ballots.

The tellers reported the whole number of votes cast....41

The PRESIDENT thereupon announced that said ballot was informal, and that the Board would proceed to a third ballot.

Third Ballot.

The Clerk called the roll, and thirty-nine (39) members answered to their names as they deposited their ballots.

The tellers reported the whole number of votes cast....39

Necessary to a choice.....20

Of which William Jones received.....21

George W. Cooper.....18

—39

The PRESIDENT thereupon announced that WILLIAM JONES, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Assistant Superintendent of Schools for the term of two years, from the first day of January, 1865.

*Election of Assistant Superintendent in place of
Norman A Calkins.*

On motion—

Ordered, That the Board do now proceed to elect an Assistant Superintendent in place of Norman A. Calkins.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. ADAMS and DUPIGNAC as tellers.

First Ballot.

The CLERK called the roll, and thirty-nine (39) members answered to their names as they deposited their ballots.

The tellers reported the whole number of votes cast....	39
Necessary to a choice	20
Of which Norman A. Calkins received.....	35
Geo. W. Cooper.....	4
	—39

The PRESIDENT thereupon announced that NORMAN A. CALKINS, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Assistant Superintendent of Schools for the term of two years from the first day of January, 1865.

No. 2.

Consideration of Document No. 8.

The PRESIDENT announced as the second special order the consideration of Document No. 8, being the report from the Committee on By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, relative to sundry amendments to the By-Laws (*Journal, page 280*).

Mr. SMALL, in connection with said subject, offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it be until Wednesday, November 23, at 5 o'clock, P. M., and that the amendments to the By-Laws, now before the Board, be then made the special order of the day.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Under this order of business, the PRESIDENT called the attention of the Board to the report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, relative to the communication from Tuomey & Elder, praying for relief as contractors for heating School-Houses in the Fourth, Seventh and Eighth Wards, the consideration of which was postponed at the last meeting, until the next stated session of the Board. (*Journal*, page 285.)

The Clerk read the resolution appended to said report, as follows :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of Tuomey & Elder, for the sum of six thousand three hundred and nineteen dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$6,319 69), which amount be and the same is hereby appropriated, and to be paid from the School Fund of 1865, on the first day of April of said year, as an allowance to the said Tuomey & Elder, for losses sustained by them in warming and ventilating Ward School No. 1, in the Fourth Ward, Primary School No. 36, in the Seventh Ward, and Ward School No. 8, in the Eighth Ward ; said losses having been occasioned by the unprecedented rise in material and labor, between the time of estimating for said work and completing the same by the said Tuomey & Elder ; they, the said Tuomey & Elder, being prevented from commencing and completing said work pursuant to the terms of their contracts from causes over which they had no control.

In connection with said subject, Mr. NEILSON offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the report be recommitted to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation to report the exact amount of loss that Messrs. Tuomey & Elder have sustained in consequence of obstacles interposed by this Board or its employees to the commencement or completion of the work for which they ask an extra allowance, and that said Committee take additional evidence to sustain the claim of said Tuomey

& Elder, such additional evidence to be given by parties other than the petitioners themselves.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the annexed bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

C. S. Westcott & Co., printing journals, documents, notices, &c., from October 21 to November 14, and binding and lettering 250 copies of the Documents of the Board for the year 1863.....	\$790 40
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for cartage, express charges, cleaning Depository, check and postage stamps for Clerk and Superintendent's offices, and sundries from November 2 to November 16..	91 45
Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's office....	71 25
New York Evening Post, subscription two years, from November 15, 1862, to November 15, 1864,	28 00

WALTER W. ADAMS, OWEN KINNEY, ORLANDO P. SMITH, THOMAS BROWN, JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented the following report from the Finance Committee, which, on motion, was ordered to be entered in full on the Journal :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee respectfully submit the following statement of the condition of the fund for Special Appropriations :

Amount of Special Appropriations at date of
last report, October 19..... \$172,864 27

Appropriated since by the Board, viz.:

Oct. 19. Heating Ward School No.		
48, in Twentieth Ward..	\$1,300 00	
“ Heating Ward School No.		
50, in Eighteenth Ward..	500 00	
Nov. 2. Erecting Primary School-		
House No. 36, in Seventh		
Ward, extra work.....	181 00	
“ Furnishing Ward School		
No. 54, in Twelfth Ward.	1,754 00	
“ Furnishing Ward School		
No. 17, in Twenty-second		
Ward.....	1,000 00	
“ Site and building in Can-		
non street, Thirteenth		
Ward, payable in 1865..	21,000 00	
“ Heating new Ward School		
in Sixteenth Ward.....	9,150 00	
“ Heating new Ward School		
in the Eighteenth Ward.	9,350 00	
“ Altering and Repairing		
Ward School-House No.		
49, in Twenty-first Ward.	957 94	
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		\$218,057 21

Deduct, rescinded by the Board,
November 2, appropriation for
site for Primary Schools Nos. 10
and 21, in Thirteenth Ward,
made in 1863.....\$9,000 00

For heating new Ward School in		
Sixteenth Ward, made April,		
1864.....	6,500 00	
	<hr/>	15,500 00
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Total excess of appropriation over amount set
apart..... \$202,557 21

O. P. SMITH,	}	<i>Finance</i>
JEREMIAH WELCH,		
JACOB C. BOGERT,		
		<i>Committee.</i>

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the resolution offered by Mr. MILLER, in favor of appropriating two hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$225), for the payment of the bill of Alonzo Taylor, for a clock furnished Primary School No. 26, in the Seventeenth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of Alonzo Taylor, for the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$225), in payment of bill for clock furnished Primary School No. 26, in the Seventeenth Ward.

O. P. SMITH,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
JACOB C. BOGERT;		
JEREMIAH WELCH,		

Mr. MILLER moved to amend said resolution by striking out all after the word "*Resolved*," and inserting, as follows :

"That the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$225) be and the same is hereby appropriated in payment of the bill of Alonzo Taylor for clock for Primary School No. 26, in the Seventeenth Ward."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, West, Vance, Miller, Hayward, McSpedon, Hastie, McLean, Smyth, Fairchild—24.

Nays—Messrs. Brennan, Bogert, Welch, Smith—4.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution of the Committee as amended and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1884.

ADJOURNED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Maher, Patten, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—29.

Absent—Commissioners Jenthet, Huggins, Horan, Heath, Tuthill, Carey, Jackson, Boice, McLaughlin, Hayward, Neilson, Kasmire, Connelly, Lieber—14.

READING OF THE JOURNAL OF THE LAST SESSION DISPENSED WITH.

On motion of Mr. WEST—

Ordered, That the reading of the Journal of the last session be dispensed with.

CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL ORDER—DOCUMENT NO. 8.

The PRESIDENT announced that the Board was convened in pursuance of the following resolution, adopted at the last meeting on motion of Mr. SMALL, and asked the pleasure of the Board in relation thereto :

“Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it be until Wednesday, November 23, at 5 o'clock P. M., and that the amendments to the By-Laws,” [*Document No. 8*,] “now before the Board, be then made the special order of the day.” (*Journal*, page 298.)

On motion of Mr. FARR—

The Board resolved itself into Committee of the Whole,

Mr. HITCHMAN in the Chair, for the consideration of Document No. 8.

After some time spent thereon, Mr. HITCHMAN, as Chairman, reported to the Board, that the Committee, after making several amendments to said Document, had adopted the same as amended, and had recommended it to the Board of Education for adoption in its amended form, as follows :

1. *Resolved*, That Section Six of the By-Laws, in the Manual of 1864, be amended by adding after the words, "A Superintendent of School Buildings," the following figure and words, "5. An Engineer."

2. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Nine in the Manual of 1864, be amended by striking out the words, "Executive Committee on the Free Academy and the Finance Committee," and that Sections Twelve, Thirteen, and Fifteen, be stricken out.

3. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Eighteen in the Manual of 1864, be amended by striking out the words "by reason of his omission to attend three successive stated meetings of the Board, no appointment shall be made to fill the vacancy until," and the words "has been," next preceding the word "filed," and insert in their place the words "shall be."

4. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Nineteen, in the Manual of 1864, be amended by striking out the words, "A Committee on the Annual Report ;" "A Committee on New Schools ;" "A Committee on Correspondence ;" "A Committee on Salaries and Offices ;" "A Committee on Libraries ;" "A Committee on Free Scholarship ;" "A Committee on Annual Estimate and Apportionment ;" and by adding the words, "and New Schools," after the words "Committee on Sites."

5. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Twenty-one in the Manual of 1864, be amended so as to read as follows :

“ All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.”

6. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Twenty-five in the Manual of 1864, be stricken out, and that Section Twenty-seven be amended by inserting the words “ of each Ward,” and next after the word “ expenditures.”

7. *Resolved*, That the By-Laws numbered Sections Twenty-eight, Twenty-nine, Thirty, and Thirty-seven, in the Manual of 1864, be stricken out, and the following section be substituted in place thereof :

§ —. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to ascertain what pianos, furniture, books, or other personal property, are in the School buildings under the control of this Board, not required to conduct the Schools, and have the same collected and stored in a suitable place, subject to the orders of this Board ; the expense thereof to be paid on the approval of the Auditing Committee.

Add the following section to Article VI. :

§ —. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to exchange the Educational Documents of this Board with those of other Educational Bodies in this and other countries, and cause the same to be preserved for the use of the members of the Board and others interested in Education, the cost thereof to be paid on the approval of the Auditing Committee.

8. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Sub-division Twelve of Section Thirty-eight of the Manual of 1864, be amended by adding after the word “ teacher,” on the first line, the words “ or janitor ;” striking out the word “ by”

next after the word "forfeited," and inserting in the place thereof the words "for disgraceful conduct, incompetency, or," and after the word "teacher," on the third line, the words "or janitors."

9. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Sub-divisions Fourteen and Fifteen of Section Thirty-eight, in the Manual of 1864, be stricken out, and the following sub-division added :

"Upon the dismissal of a teacher, the Board of Trustees shall file with the Clerk of this Board a copy of the resolution directing the same, and notify the teacher, in writing, of the cause of dismissal. Said teacher shall have the right to appeal to this Board, within ten days after the service of the notice aforesaid, and said appeal shall be immediately referred to the Committee on Appeals, to examine into the facts and circumstances of the case, and report to this Board. Pending the consideration of such appeal, no salary shall be paid to any teacher acting in the place and stead of said appellant, without first obtaining the consent of this Board, nor will any appointment to the position occupied by the appellant be acknowledged by this Board. If this Board shall decide that there is no good cause for such dismissal, then the teacher dismissed shall be entitled to the position and salary he or she had at the time of dismissal, with pay, as if no dismissal had taken place."

10. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Article VIII., in the Manual of 1864, be amended by adding the following section :

"No teacher shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees in any Ward, unless the average attendance of pupils is equal to thirty to each teacher in a Grammar School, and equal to forty-five to each teacher in a Primary School (exclusive of the principals and teachers of special subjects),

based upon the sworn returns made by the principal for the year ending December 31st, next preceding, except that, in case of an increase of pupils in any school, the salaries of additional teachers for said school may be paid, provided that the principal thereof certifies to the Board of Education the average attendance of scholars for the sixty school days next preceding, showing an increased attendance of pupils in said school over the same period during the preceding year, equal to the averages aforesaid for each additional teacher ; and, also, provided that the averages in the Grammar Schools and Primary Schools in the Ward are equal to the averages aforesaid."

11. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Thirty-nine in the Manual of 1864, be amended so as to read as follows :

"§ —. The teachers appointed in the schools shall be ranked as Principals, Vice-Principals, and Assistants, and teachers of Special Subjects. There shall be two grades known and designated as A and B, and the certificates of qualification or licenses to be given by the City Superintendent, excepting those to teachers of Special Subjects, shall always express the grade of the teacher, and the position for which he or she is qualified, and shall be in the following form :

12. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Sub-division One, of Section Thirty-nine, of the Manual of 1864, be amended by adding the following paragraph :

" The certificate of teachers of Special Subjects shall state the branch or branches for which such teachers are licensed, without regard to grade ; in other respects the form shall be the same." And amend sub-division two of the same section by adding the words : " and no person shall be appointed or promoted to a position higher than that specified in such certificate."

13. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Sub-division Three of Section Thirty-nine of the By-Law of 1864, be stricken out, and the following inserted :

3. "No teacher shall be appointed Principal or Vice-Principal of a Grammar School, except of Grade A, and no Assistant teacher shall be employed therein without a certificate equal to Grade B.

"No teacher shall be appointed Principal or Vice-Principal of a Primary School without a certificate equal to Grade B."

14. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Sub-division Four of Section Thirty-nine, of the Manual of 1864, be stricken out.

15. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Forty-three, in the Manual of 1864, be amended by striking out the words, "unless such person shall be more," and the words "of age," and insert in place thereof the words, "whose age is less."

16. *Resolved*, That the By-Laws of the Manual of 1864 be amended by inserting the following Articles after Art. IX. :

ARTICLE —.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The office of the Superintendent of School Buildings shall be in the Hall of the Board of Education.

§ —. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent of School Buildings to examine all the buildings under the control of this Board twice in each year, in reference to their safety and general condition as to repairs, &c., and report the result of such examination, in detail, to the Board of Education, on the first Wednesday of July and December.

He shall also have the care of the Workshop and the workmen employed therein, subject to the rules and regulations of the Board of Education and the supervision of the Committee on Buildings. The wages of workmen, and bills for materials used in the Workshop, shall be paid on the approval of said committee.

ARTICLE —

ENGINEER.

It shall be the duty of the Engineer of the Board to examine all the Heating and Ventilating Apparatus used in the School Buildings under the control of this Board, in reference to their capacity to heat and ventilate the buildings, their safety, and condition as to repairs, and the care and economy shown in their management by the Janitors having them in charge, and to report the result of such examinations, in detail, to the Board of Education, on the first Wednesday of July and December in each year. He shall also perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

17. *Resolved*, That the By-Laws numbered Forty-four and Forty-six, in the Manual of 1864, be stricken out.

18. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Forty-seven, in the Manual of 1864, be amended by striking out the words, "The Committee to prepare the Annual Report," and the words, "this Committee," and insert in place thereof the words "The Clerk."

19. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Forty-eight, in the Manual of 1864, be amended by striking out the words, "Committee on the Annual Estimate," and inserting in place thereof the words "Finance Committee."

20. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Forty-nine, in the Manual of 1864, be amended so as to read as follows:

“§ —. No application involving an expenditure of an amount exceeding two hundred dollars shall be referred to any Committee with power to incur any liability, unless an appropriation to cover the same shall have been first made by resolution of the Board, and approved by two thirds of the members elected to office.”

21. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Fifty-one in the Manual of 1864 be amended by striking out the words, “and the title to said property shall have been vested in the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York.”

22. *Resolved*, That the By-Laws numbered Sections Fifty-two and Fifty-three in the Manual of 1864 be stricken out, and the following section adopted:

“§ —. Every application for authority to establish a new School, or for authority to purchase a site for a new School-House, shall be referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.”

23. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Fifty-four in the Manual of 1864 be amended by striking out the word: “other.”

24. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Fifty-seven in the Manual of 1864, be amended by striking out the words “Finance and that,” on the fourth line, and inserting in place thereof the words “the appropriate,” and after the word “committee,” the words “which committee.”

25. *Resolved*, That Section Sixty-two of the By-Laws, in the Manual of 1864, be stricken out.

Amend Section Sixty-seven of the By-Laws of the Manual of 1864, by striking out the word "supplies," on the fourth line, and inserting in the place thereof the words "books, stationery, and fuel," and by striking out all after the words "Common Schools of this city."

26. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Art. XII., in the Manual of 1864, be amended by adding the following section :

§ —. No liability for work and materials, or either of them, in repairing or cleaning on or about any School Building or School Buildings, exceeding twenty dollars (\$20) in any one month on any one School Building, shall be incurred by a Board of Trustees or its Committees, unless the necessity of such work and materials is first approved by the Superintendent of School Buildings, upon the written application of a Board of Trustees, setting forth the nature of the work and materials required. This section shall not be construed to modify the requirements of Section 51 of the By-Laws in reference to amounts exceeding two hundred dollars.

27. *Resolved*, That the following section be added to the By-Laws :

§ —. All proposals hereafter received by any Board of Trustees, by authority of the Board of Education, for erecting, altering, repairing, furnishing, or heating any School Building, shall be opened in the office of the Clerk of this Board, immediately after the expiration of the time limited by the advertisement for the receipt thereof, in presence of the Clerk and a majority of such Board of Trustees, at a meeting regularly called for the purpose, and such original proposals shall be immediately thereafter filed in the Clerk's office.

28. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section Sixty-nine in the Manual for 1864 be amended by striking out all after the words "Primary Schools," on the fourth line, to the words "Grammar Schools," and inserting in place thereof the following :

5TH GRADE—ALPHABET CLASS.—*Reading* alphabet and familiar words from blackboard or chart ; exercises in enunciating simple elementary sounds of letters.

Numeral Frame.—Counting and adding on numeral frame by ones and by twos.

Arabic Figures.—Reading at sight any number from 1 to 99.

Object Lessons.—Teaching the children, by means of common objects, to observe simple forms, colors, positions, parts of objects, of the human body, and of familiar animals ; each lesson to be conducted with a view to cultivate *habits* of *attention* and *observation*.

PRIMER CLASS.—*Reading and Spelling* from charts, blackboard, and primer, with illustrations of the meaning of the words used ; exercises in enunciating elementary sounds of letters.

Numeral Frame.—Adding on numeral frame by twos, threes, fours, and fives ; also, taking away ones, twos, and threes, from greater numbers.

Arabic Figures.—Reading at sight numbers through three figures (999), and writing numbers on slates as far as 100.

Roman Numbers—I, V, and X, with their combinations.

Object Lessons.—The subjects of the alphabet class continued, with new objects and illustrations.

Use of Slates.—Printing easy words, and copying simple figures from the blackboard.

Lessons on Morals and Manners—inculcated with appropriate illustrations by means of incidents, anecdotes, &c. Similar lessons to be given in the alphabet class.

N. B.—No exercise in the fifth grade should exceed twenty minutes in length at one time.

4TH GRADE.—*Reading*—in a First Reader.

Spelling—with the meaning of the words explained to the pupils; also, spelling short words by their elementary sounds.

Punctuation—the names and general uses of the common marks.

Roman Numbers—through I, V, X, L, and C, and their combinations.

Numeration—through six figures (100,000); writing numbers on slates.

Tables.—Adding with and without the numeral frame, by fours, fives, sixes, sevens, eights, nines, and tens; also, taking threes, fours, and fives, from greater numbers.

Mental Arithmetic.—Simple questions in addition, chiefly with concrete numbers.

Object Lessons—on form, color, place, size, and parts of objects, for leading the pupils to make observations on common things not in the school-room. Let the teacher give simple descriptions of familiar objects, and the pupils give their names from the descriptions.

Lessons on Morals and Manners—continued by means of school incidents, reading lessons, &c.

3D GRADE.—*Reading*—in the last half of a First, or the first half of a Second Reader.

Spelling—with simple *definitions* ; also, spelling by the elementary sounds, so far as necessary to correct faults in pronunciation.

Punctuation—with the uses of the common marks in the sentences read.

Roman Numbers—through C, D, and M.

Written Arithmetic.—Numeration through 100,000,000 ; addition through examples of six or seven short columns.

Mental Arithmetic.—Simple questions in addition and subtraction.

Multiplication Table—through 6 times 12.

Object Lessons—continued on form, color, place, size, and human body, with lessons on animals, plants, common minerals, and qualities and uses of objects, directing the children's attention to such qualities only as may be readily perceived. Place forms, familiar objects, and pictures, before the pupils, and request them to give simple descriptions.

Lessons in Morals and Manners.

2D GRADE.—*Reading*—in a Second Reader.

Spelling and Definitions—the meaning of words illustrated by their use in short oral sentences ; also, exercises in elementary sounds, continued as above.

Punctuation—continued with applications.

Roman Numbers—reviewed.

Written Arithmetic—through subtraction and in multiplication by one figure.

Mental Arithmetic—in subtraction and multiplication.

Multiplication Table—through 12 times 12.

Drawing and Writing on Slates—from copies on black-board or charts.

Object Lessons—Extend the subjects of the preceding Grade.

Lessons in Morals and Manners—continued.

1ST GRADE.—*Reading*—Lessons of the grade of those in the last half of a Second Reader.

Spelling and Definitions—the pupils to illustrate the meaning of words by using them in short sentences, oral or written.

Written Arithmetic—through multiplication and division by two figures, with simple practical applications.

Mental Arithmetic—in multiplication and division.

Tables—division, time, weights, measures, and federal money, taught by illustrations, as far as practicable.

Geography—from outline maps—the Hemispheres, and North and South America ; also the definitions and descriptions of continents, mountains, islands, bays, rivers, &c.

Writing and Drawing on Slates—from copies, also writing from dictation, words and short sentences.

Object Lessons—select objects and require descriptions which will embrace form, color, size, parts, uses, materials, &c. Extend place so as to include the chief objects in the local geography of the city, and the prominent localities in its vicinity ; adding descriptions necessary to prepare the pupil for an intelligent use of text-books on geography.

Lessons in Morals and Manners—continued.

Vocal Music—practised throughout the school.

"In the Primary Schools, no lessons shall be given to the pupils to be studied after school hours, nor shall any textbook be taken from the schools, except by the pupils in the two highest classes.

"No pupil shall be promoted from any Primary School, unless examined in the highest grade of studies provided for Primary Schools, and found to be qualified by the Principal of the Grammar School to which the promotion is to be made, or by the City Superintendent or such of his Assistants as he may designate for that purpose, and when so found qualified, such promotion shall be immediately made by the Principal of the Primary School; such promotion from a lower to a higher class shall in all cases be made when, on examination, the City Superintendent or his Assistant shall find the whole or any portion of such lower class qualified for such promotion."

29. *Resolved*, That the Course of Studies for Grammar Schools, on page 114 of the Manual of 1864, be amended by inserting the word "sufficiently" after the words "have been," on the 13th line from the top, and by striking out the word "class" on the 23d line, and the words "previous one" inserted in the place thereof.

Add to paragraph 2, under Grade 1, page 114:

"Nor shall the lessons assigned for such preparation be such as to require a period of study each day, in the case of a child of average capacity, longer than two hours."

Strike out the third paragraph of Grade 1, on page 114 of the Manual of 1864, and insert in the place thereof:

"The studies of each Grade shall be pursued in the order herein prescribed, and without the addition of any study or studies belonging to a higher Grade or to the Supplementary Course.

Strike out the first paragraph on page 115 of the Manual of 1864, and insert the following :

For a period not less than one year.

Arithmetic and English Grammar reviewed ; Etymology, Astronomy, and Algebra, through quadratic equations ; Natural Philosophy, including mechanics, hydrostatics, and pneumatics ; Ancient History ; Geometry, through the first book of Legendre, or an equivalent ; Composition.

For a period not less than two years.

Review of English Grammar, Arithmetic, and Algebra ; Higher Astronomy ; Natural Philosophy, completed, Rhetoric and Composition, Modern History ; Geometry, through the fourth book of Legendre, or an equivalent.

The French or German language may be pursued in connection with the studies of this Course.

Add the following section after Section Sixty-nine (69) :

§ —. It shall be the duty of the City Superintendent, and his Assistants, at each visitation of a school or department, to inquire specially whether the provisions relating to the Course of Study have been strictly followed ; and the City Superintendent shall, without delay, report the case of any violation of the same to the Board, stating the name of the Principal of the School and the teacher of the class concerned in such violation.

30. *Resolved*, That the words “ teachers,” “ the Grade A,” on the 12th line of page 116 of the Manual of 1864, be stricken out, and the word “ graduation” inserted in the place thereof.

31. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered, Seventy-five of the Manual of 1864 be stricken out.

32. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section 80 of the Manual for 1864 be stricken out.

33. *Resolved*, That Article XVIII., in the Manual of 1864, be stricken out.

34. *Resolved*, That the following Article be added :

ARTICLE —.

NORMAL SCHOOL.

§ —. There shall be a Normal School for the instruction of female teachers, which shall hold its sessions from nine o'clock, A. M. to one o'clock, P. M., on every Saturday in the year, with the exception of those Saturdays which occur on the holidays prescribed by the Board.

§ —. The sessions of the Normal School shall be held in such one of the Ward School buildings as the Committee on Normal Schools shall deem most convenient for the purpose.

§ —. The school shall be under the care and instruction of a Principal and such other teachers as may be necessary, who shall be appointed by the Committee, subject to the approval of the Board. The school shall be under the immediate direction and supervision of the Committee on Normal Schools.

§ —. No person shall be admitted as a pupil into the Normal School unless actually engaged as a teacher in one of the schools under the charge of the Board, or unless she shall have received a certificate of Grade A from the City Superintendent, or a graduating diploma from one of the Ward Schools.

§ —. The Course of Instruction shall embrace the various branches included in the Supplementary Course prescribed by the Board for the Grammar Schools, the principles of teaching as a science, the proper methods of imparting instruction in the several branches required to be taught in the Primary

and Grammar Schools, and the principles and rules requisite for the discipline and general management of classes and schools.

§ —. Such examinations of any of the classes or pupils, as may be required from time to time, shall be conducted by the Principal, under the supervision of the Committee, and with the aid of such of the teachers of the school as may be designated.

§ —. In all cases where any pupil so examined shall desire to apply for a certificate of qualification of any grade from the City Superintendent, the results of such examination, properly prepared, shall be filed by the Principal in the office of the City Superintendent, for his inspection and that of the Inspectors, whose duty it shall be, under the By-Laws of the Board, to concur in the granting of said certificate.

35. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered One Hundred and Forty-eight, in the Manual of 1864, be amended so as to read as follows :

§ —. It shall be the duty of the Trustees of each Ward in which any Evening School is located, to nominate to this Board, at the first session in the month of September, a Principal and Vice-Principal for such school, who must possess the same qualifications that are required for the same positions in Grammar Schools. Assistant teachers, having licenses from the City Superintendent equal to Grade B, may be appointed by the Trustees for each School, not exceeding one teacher for every thirty pupils, based on the average attendance of the previous term. Appointments and removals must be made in the same manner, and subject to the same conditions, as those for Day Schools, except that additional teachers may be appointed in any School during the term, provided the average attendance of pupils is equal to thirty to each teacher, after the employment of such additional teachers.

§ —. It shall be the duty of Principals of Evening Schools to report to the Clerk of the Board of Education, commencing from the opening of said Schools, every two weeks, the average attendance of scholars, and the number of teachers employed therein, exclusive of the Principal.

36. *Resolved*, That the By-Laws numbered Sections 149, 150, 151, and 155, of the Manual of 1864, be stricken out.

37. *Resolved*, That the following Sections be inserted after Section 165 in the Manual of 1864 :

§ —. The branches of study to be taught in the Evening Schools shall be reading, spelling, definitions, geography, history of the United States, arithmetic, book-keeping, and penmanship.

§ —. The pupils shall in all cases be classified according to their progress in study, and the grades in the branches prescribed be made, as far as possible, to correspond to those of the Primary and Grammar Schools.

§ —. Reading, spelling, definitions, and penmanship, shall be taught in all the classes. Geography shall be taught, by means of outline maps and oral explanations, in those classes whose grade in arithmetic is above the fifth prescribed for Grammar Schools. Arithmetic shall be taught in part by mental exercises in calculation and analysis, with practical applications of the principles and rules.

38. *Resolved*, That Section 166 of the By-Laws in the Manual of 1864, fourth line from the top, be amended by striking out the word "and" after the word "stationery," and adding the words, "and other supplies," after the word "fuel," and that the By-Laws numbered Sections 185, 186, and 187, be stricken out.

Amend Section 184 of the Manual of 1864, by inserting

after the word "Schools," in the third line, the words "as near as practicable."

39. *Resolved*, That the By-Law numbered Section 190, of the Manual of 1864, be amended by striking out all after the word "purpose."

40. *Resolved*, That the By-Laws numbered Sections 191 to 198, inclusive, in the Manual of 1864, be stricken out.

41. *Resolved*, That the following Sections be added to the By-Laws:

§ —. No liability shall be incurred by any Board of Trustees or its Committees, for the purchase of or repairs to School Furniture, including Pianos, exceeding twenty dollars (\$20) in any one month, unless the necessity therefor is first approved by the Committee on School Furniture, upon the written application of a Board of Trustees.

§ —. No supplies of any kind shall be purchased or used in any School Building, in addition to those procured through the Depository, as provided by the Tariff of Supplies, in pursuance of Section 184 of the By-Laws, by any Board of Trustees or its Committees, exceeding twenty dollars (\$20) in amount, in any one month, unless the necessity therefor is first approved by the Committee on Supplies, upon the written application of a Board of Trustees.

No liability shall be incurred by any Board of Trustees, or its Committees, for repairs to the heating apparatus, exceeding twenty dollars in any one month, unless the necessity thereof is first approved by the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, on the written application of a Board of Trustees.

42. *Resolved*, That the words "School Officers" be stricken out wherever they may occur in the By-Laws in the Manual

of 1864, and the word "Trustees" inserted in place thereof, when applicable under the amended school law.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said report and recommendation, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question, whether the Board would agree with said Document as amended and adopted in Committee of the Whole, and it was decided in the affirmative.

In connection with said subject, Mr. WEST offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the foregoing amendments to the By-Laws take effect on and after January 1, 1865, and that the Clerk be, and he hereby is, authorized to revise the By-Laws, so that the amendments may be arranged in a systematic manner under appropriate headings.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DEATH OF COMMISSIONER KASMIRE, AND
RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT TO HIS MEMORY, AND OF CONDOLENCE
AND SYMPATHY WITH HIS FAMILY.

Mr. WELCH announced the death of his colleague ANDREW J. KASMIRE, Esq., late Commissioner from the Tenth Ward, who departed this life on Monday morning, the 21st instant; and, in connection with said announcement, offered for adoption the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to remove from us, by death, our late esteemed fellow-laborer and associate, Commissioner KASMIRE, of the Tenth Ward, and this Board being desirous of recording its testimony of the estimation of the services and character of the deceased; therefore,

Resolved, That, in the death of ANDREW J. KASMIRE, Esq., late Commissioner from the Tenth Ward, the Board of Education has lost one of its most intelligent and highly respected members, the cause of public education an ardent and faithful supporter and friend, his family a kind and an affectionate husband and father, and the community an upright and estimable citizen, whose memory will long be honored and cherished.

Resolved, That the Board hereby tenders to the family of the deceased its sincere sympathy in their irreparable bereavement, and as a proper testimonial of our regard for his services and character, we will attend his funeral in a body, and wear the customary badge of mourning.

Resolved, That the foregoing preamble and resolutions be entered in full on the Journal, and that an attested copy thereof be forwarded by the Clerk to the afflicted family of the deceased.

The resolutions were advocated by Messrs. MILLER, SMYTH, HAYES, and WEST, each of whom paid a high tribute to the many virtues of the deceased; after which they were unanimously adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. HASTIE moved, that out of respect to the memory of our late associate, Commissioner KASMIRE, this Board do now adjourn.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT thereupon declared the Board duly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—37.

Absent—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Patten, Adams, Boice, Connelly—5.

In the absence of the PRESIDENT the Board was called to order by the Clerk, pursuant to the first rule of order.

On motion—

Mr. SMYTH was appointed President *pro tem*.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

The Journal of the last two sessions was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. MONTGOMERY presented a communication from the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Miss Frances A. Stephens as Principal of Primary School No. 6, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Mr. VANCE presented a communication from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, nominating Margaret McGregor as Vice-Principal of Primary School No 12, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from John B. Ketcham, asking a donation of books for library of the Soldiers' Home, in Howard street.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Supplies.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Charles Loeber, asking an additional appropriation on contract for painting Grammar School-House No. 1, in the Fourth Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from James Kemple, asking a remuneration for losses on contract for doing the mason work on Ward School-House No. 1, in the Fourth Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Rev. Alex H. Vinton, asking pecuniary aid for St. Mark's Church Mission School.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Finance Committee.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Miss Van Tine, asking a supply of old school furniture

for an Industrial School established at No. 431 Eleventh avenue.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Mr. O'CONNOR offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the Board of Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, in excusing the absence of Jane E. Jones and Anna E. Madden, teachers in said Ward, for the month of November, be confirmed, said absence having been occasioned by severe illness.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

Mr. MILLER offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the action of the School Officers of the Seventeenth Ward, in excusing the absence of Miss Teresa Dunn for the month of November, be and is hereby approved, the cause being severe illness.

On motion—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

On motion of Mr. HASTIE—

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Board be, and he is hereby directed to print the By-Laws as amended, and cause a copy thereof to be sent to each School Officer and Principal of each School previous to the first day of January, 1865, if practicable to do so.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. KINNEY presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

Macoy & Herwig, printing pay-rolls, ruling and printing examination blanks, certificates, &c....	\$116 75
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for cleaning Depository, cartage and express charges, check and postage stamps and sundries, from November 16 to December 7.....	178 39
Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's office.....	98 20

OWEN KINNEY,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
THOMAS BROWN,	
ORLANDO P. SMITH,	
JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,	

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH presented a report from the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, to whom were referred the preamble and resolution afforded by Commissioner O'Connor, in favor of instructing the Clerk of this Board to notify the Chairman of the Board of School Officers of the Eleventh Ward, and Robert A. Barry, a Trustee of said Ward, that the seat of the said Robert A. Barry is made vacant by the recent school law, he being a non-resident of said Ward ; and the communication from the School Officers of the Eighth Ward, nominating Robert H. Ellis to fill the vacancy in the office of Trustee, existing in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That by the provisions of an act entitled "An Act relative to Common Schools in the city of New York," passed by the Legislature of the State of New York, April 25, 1864, this Board has no jurisdiction over the question of the right of Robert A. Barry, a Trustee of the Eleventh Ward, to a seat in the Board of School Officers of said Ward, by reason of his being a non-resident of said Ward ; that this Board has no legal right by the provisions of the act aforesaid to fill the vacancy in the office of Trustee

existing in the Eighth Ward, and that the Committee on Elections and Qualifications be and they are hereby discharged from the further consideration of said subjects, respectively.

FREDERICK SMYTH; WILSON SMALL, S. J. MONTGOMERY, E. CONNELLY,	}	<i>Committee on Elections and Qualifications.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH presented a report from the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from His Honor the Mayor, nominating Inspectors of Common Schools in the Districts for which they are respectively designated, to hold office for the term of three years, from the first day of January, 1865, in accordance with the provisions of the 4th section of an act, entitled "An Act relative to Common Schools of the city of New York," passed April 25, 1864, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That William B. Eager, Jr., be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Common Schools for the First School District, comprising the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Eighth Wards, for the term of three years from the first day of January, 1865.

2. *Resolved*, That John Hecker be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Common Schools for the Second School District, comprising the Seventh, Tenth, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Wards, for the term of three years, from the first day of January, 1865.

3. *Resolved*, That James Kelly be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Common Schools for the Third School District, comprising the Ninth and Sixteenth Wards, for the term of three years, from the first day of January, 1865.

4. *Resolved*, That Andrew Mills be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Common Schools for the Fourth School District, comprising the Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards,

for the term of three years, from the first day of January, 1865.

5. *Resolved*, That James W. Gerard be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Common Schools for the Fifth School District, comprising the Fifteenth and Eighteenth Wards, for the term of three years, from the first day of January, 1865.

6. *Resolved*, That John H. Anthon be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Common Schools for the Sixth School District, comprising the Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards, for the term of three years, from the first day of January, 1865.

7. *Resolved*, That L. H. Buckbee be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Common Schools for the Seventh School District, comprising the Twelfth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-second Wards, for the term of three years, from the first day of January, 1865.

8. *Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Board be and he is hereby instructed to notify the several persons aforesaid of their appointments by this Board to the offices of Inspectors of Common Schools, for the several districts aforesaid, pursuant to the provisions of the law and By-Laws of this Board.

FREDERICK SMYTH,	} <i>Committee on</i>
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	
WILSON SMALL,	
	<i>Elections and</i>
	<i>Qualifications.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the first of said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—33.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the second of said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Horan, Heath,

O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—36.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Ordered, That the nomination of James Kelly as Inspector of the Third School District be recommitted to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the fourth of said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—37.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the fifth of said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—37.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the sixth of said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—37.

On motion of Mr. HITCHMAN—

Ordered, That the nomination of L. K. Buckbee, as Inspector of the Seventh School District, be recommitted to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the eighth of said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward, relative to the necessity of altering and repairing Ward School-House No. 36, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Eleventh Ward be and they are hereby authorized, after April 1, 1865, to advertise for estimates and proposals for erecting two wings on the rear of Ward School-House No. 36, in said Ward, and for otherwise altering and improving said School-House, pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on Buildings of this Board, and the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid,

JAMES L. MILLER,	} Committee on Buildings.
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR,	
W. W. ADAMS,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented the following report from the Finance Committee :

To the Board of Education :

The Finance Committee respectfully submit for adoption a resolution appropriating two sums set apart for the purposes named therein ; also a resolution transferring as usual, for adjustment of the annual current accounts to a general

account, any balances that may appear to their debit or credit at the end of the year ; and a resolution transferring to the credit of special appropriations such balances as are not required for the purposes to which they were appropriated :

Resolved, That the sums hereinafter named be appropriated out of the amounts reserved respectively for the purposes named, viz. :

For salaries of teachers in Ward Schools.....	\$120,000
For salaries of janitors in Ward Schools.....	3,000
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	\$123,000

Resolved, That all differences between the sums set apart or appropriated for the current purposes of 1864 be transferred to a general account on the books of the Finance Department, for the adjustment and closing of the respective accounts of the same, with the termination of the year.

Resolved, That the following sums be and the same are hereby transferred to Special Appropriation Account :

For heating wing of Ward School-House No. 50, appropriated in 1862.....	\$300 00
For altering and repairing Ward School-House No. 42, difference in bills.....	39 36
For erecting Ward School-House No. 8, error in bills	2 39
For erecting Primary School-House No. 36, error in bills.....	50
For Saturday Normal School, balance remaining after payment of salaries, &c., for the year.....	

O. P. SMITH,	} Finance Committee.
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Huggins, Horan, Dupignac, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Montgomery, Bogert, Welch,

* O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, West, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—27.

Mr. VANCE presented a report from the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books, to whom was referred the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Education, at the meeting held on the 2d of November last, viz. : "*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Course of Studies and School Books, to examine and report whether the present system of instruction in the Grammar Schools is not calculated to interfere with the proper mental and physical development of the pupils," and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That this report be ordered to be printed as a document of the Board, and that a copy of the same be transmitted to the members of this Board, Inspectors and Trustees of the several Wards, and to the Principal of each School and department, with the particular request that it should be carefully read, and also submitted to the assistant teachers for their perusal.

• SAMUEL B. H. VANCE, WM. H. NEILSON, HENRY P. WEST, JAS. B. DUPIGNAC, F. SMYTH,	}	<i>Committee. on Course of Studies and School Books.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative. (*Document No. 9.*)

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Board of Trustees of the Tenth Ward, nominating Mary E. Miller as Vice-Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 7, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Miss Mary E. Miller, nominated by the Trustees of the Tenth Ward for the position of Vice-Princi-

pal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 7, and having, as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent, the requisite qualifications, be and she hereby is appointed to said position, to take effect from and after the twentieth day of October.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC, WM. H. NEILSON, JAS. F. HORAN, CHARLES BOICE, ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom were referred the bills of William Twine, for repairs in the Twelfth Ward, amounting respectively to one hundred and sixty-three dollars and eighteen cents (\$163 18), and one hundred and seventy-two dollars and thirty-two cents (\$172 32), and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of William Twine, for the sum of four hundred and fifty-seven dollars and sixty-three cents (\$457 63), in payment of his bills for work done to this date on Primary School-House No. 41, in Twelfth Ward, provided said Twine gives a receipt in full for all demands on account of said bills, as against the Board of Education and the School Officers of the Twelfth Ward.

O. P. SMITH, TIMOTHY BRENNAN, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT, S. J. MONTGOMERY,	}	<i>Finance Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom were referred communications from the Trustees of the Eighth, Fifteenth, and Sixteenth Wards, nominating candidates for sundry Principal and Vice-Principalships in schools of said Wards, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Charlotte White, nominated by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward, as Vice-Principal of the Female Department of Ward School No. 8, from October 1, 1864 ; Sarah E. Woodward and Josephine H. Sheldon, nominated by the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, as Principal and Vice-Principal, respectively, of the Junior Department of Ward School No. 47, from January 1, 1865 ; and Margaret A. Coleman and Mary E. Phalen, nominated by the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, as Vice-Principals of the Female Department of Ward School No. 45, from November 1, 1864, and of Primary Department of Ward School No. 11, from October 1, 1864, respectively—each of them having, as appears from the annexed certificates of the City Superintendent, the requisite qualifications, be and they hereby are appointed to the positions to which they have severally been nominated, said appointments to take effect from and after the several dates specified as aforesaid.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC,	} Committee on Teachers.
WM. H. NEILSON,	
ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	
JAMES F. HORAN,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred a previous report of said Committee, relative to the communication from Tuomey & Elder, praying for relief as contractors for heating School-Houses in the Fourth, Seventh, and Eighth Wards, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the resolution appended to the report of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation presented to

s Board at the stated session held November 27, 1864, on re 285 of the *Journal*, be adopted.

JOHN HAYES,	} <i>Committee on Warming and Ventilation.</i>
JAMES W. FARR,	
WM. HITCHMAN,	
JAS. B. DUPIGNAC,	
D. S. JACKSON, JR.,	

The Clerk read the resolution aforesaid, as follows :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to draw a warrant in favor of Tuomey & Elder, for the sum of six thousand three hundred and nineteen dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$6,319 69), which amount be and the same is hereby appropriated and to be paid from the Pool Fund of 1865, on the first day of April of said year, an allowance to the said Tuomey & Elder, for losses sustained by them in warming and ventilating Ward School No. in the Fourth Ward, Primary School No. 36, in the Seventh Ward, and Ward School No. 8, in the Eighth Ward, and losses having been occasioned by the unprecedented rise in material and labor, between the time of estimating for said work and completing the same by the said Tuomey & Elder ; and, the said Tuomey & Elder being prevented from commencing and completing said work pursuant to the terms of their contracts from causes over which they had no control.

Mr. SMYTH moved that the consideration of said subject be postponed, and be made the special order after the third order of business at the next stated meeting of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Huggins, Horan, Kinney, Brennan, Bogert, Roosevelt, Hayward, Neilson, Hastie, Smyth—10.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Welch, Connor, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hitchman, Fairchild—24.

Mr. SMITH moved to amend said resolution by striking therefrom the sum of six thousand three hundred and nineteen dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$6,319 69), and inserting

in lieu thereof the sum of five thousand five hundred and seventy-nine dollars and forty-six cents (\$5,579 46).

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Huggins, Hayward, Neilson, Smyth, Fairchild—5.

Nays—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Heath, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Farr, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hitchman, Hastie—27.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution of the Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Maher, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Farr, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Jackson, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Hitchman, Hastie, Fairchild—28.

Nays—Messrs. Huggins, Kinney, Brennan, Murray, Neilson, Smyth—6.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1864.

STATED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Maher, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Perley, Brown, Hayes, Koster, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—34.

Absent—Commissioners Jennett, Horan, Huggins, Patten, O'Connor, Jackson, Boice, McLaughlin—8.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. TUTHILL presented a communication from the School Officers of the Fifth Ward, asking an appropriation of eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) for the purchase of a school site on Vestry street, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing two lots of ground known as Nos. 31 and 33 Vestry street, on which to erect a Primary School-House for the use of Primary Schools Nos. 11 and 33, in the Fifth Ward, provided said lots are unitedly not less than fifty feet front and rear, by one hundred feet in depth ; but no part of the money to be paid until the certificate of the Counsel to the Corporation is on file in the Clerk's office ;

that the title to said lots is vested in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Sites.

Mr. HAYWARD presented a communication from the School Officers of the Eighteenth Ward, asking relief for Leander Buck, contractor for doing the mason work in the erection of a new Grammar School-House in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of School Officers of the Eighteenth Ward make application to the Board of Education to grant relief to Leander Buck, under his contract for doing the mason work in the erection of the new Grammar School-House on East Twenty-third street, in said Ward, said contractor having sustained losses in fulfilling said contract from causes for the existence of which he was not responsible, and over which he had no control.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Mr. HASTIE presented a communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, applying for a new boiler for the heating apparatus in Ward School No. 33, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Warming and Ventilation be empowered to have a new and larger boiler put in the place of the worn-out boiler in the heating apparatus in Ward School-House No. 33, and that the work be done, if possible, in time for the re-opening of the school after the holidays.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Mr. VANCE presented a communication from the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward, asking authority to advertise for furniture for the new Grammar School Building, in West Twentieth street, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward be and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposals for the desks, chairs, settees, &c., necessary for furnishing Grammar School No. —, in the Sixteenth Ward, and additions and alterations to the furniture of Ward School No. 45, pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid, and the Committee on School Furniture.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, December 15, 1864.

To the Honorable the Board of Education of the City of New York :

GENTLEMEN : I respectfully beg leave to withdraw the nomination of L. H. Buckbee, as Inspector of Common Schools for the Seventh District of said city, and nominate in place of said L. H. Buckbee, as Inspector of said District, Hosea B. Perkins, of Washington Heights, in the Twelfth Ward, subject to the confirmation of your honorable body.

C. GODFREY GUNTHER,
Mayor.

Mr. SMYTH moved that permission be granted His Honor the Mayor to withdraw the nomination of L. H. Buckbee.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH then moved that the nomination of Hosea B. Perkins be referred to the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, with instructions to report thereon at this present session of the Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from D. C. Clark, Trustee of the Twenty-second Ward, in regard to the appointment of certain teachers in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Teachers.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from Charles B. Cornell, asking additional compensation for painting Ward School No. 8, in the Eighth Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That Tuesday, January 3, 1865, be allowed as a holiday, in addition to those enumerated in Section 70 of the By-Laws, to all the Schools under the control of this Board.

On motion of Mr. WELCH—

Resolved, That the absence of Miss Emeline Hook, an assistant in the Male Department of Ward School No. 20, be excused for the month of December, said absence having been occasioned by severe illness.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That when this Board adjourn, it be until Wed-

nesday, the 28th December instant, at the usual time and place.

Mr. McSPEDON offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, The heating apparatus placed in Ward School-House No. 53, in the Nineteenth Ward, by Wethered & Cherevoy, has proved utterly inadequate to heat said building, it being necessary on the coldest days to dismiss the school for want of sufficient heat to render the teachers and scholars at all comfortable, and it being clearly demonstrated that said apparatus, in its present condition, will never warm said building sufficiently ; therefore be it

Resolved, That the subject of altering, enlarging, and repairing the heating apparatus in said school be referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation and Engineer of this Board, and the School Officers of said Nineteenth Ward, with power—the amount to be expended not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000)—to have said apparatus so enlarged or repaired as to render the requisite amount of heat to warm said school building in the coldest winter weather, the work to be done during the ensuing holiday vacation, no money to be paid until a certificate has been filed with the Clerk of the Board, that the work has been done to the satisfaction of the Ward Officers, the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and the Engineer of the Board.

Objection having been made to said preamble and resolution—

Mr. HITCHMAN moved a suspension of the rules for the purpose of considering the same.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. BOGERT moved to amend the resolution aforesaid by striking therefrom the words “ with power.”

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the said preamble and resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. ROOSEVELT—

Resolved, That, inasmuch as one of the Inspectors of the Fifteenth Ward resigned, some months ago, and the other left the city, and will not return for several months, the December pay-rolls and bills of said Ward be paid without the signature of an Inspector.

On motion of Mr. WEST—

Resolved, That the action of the Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, in excusing the absences of William P. Byrne, an assistant in the Male Department of Ward School No. 21, and Miss E. A. Bush, an assistant in the Primary Department of Ward School, No. 30, for the months of November and December, be confirmed, said absences having been occasioned by severe illness.

On motion of Mr. PERLEY—

Resolved, That the action of the Board of Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, in excusing the absences of Jane E. Jones and Anna E. Madden, teachers in said Ward, for the month of December, be confirmed, said absences having been occasioned by severe illness.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

E. Marrenner, stove for office of City Superintendent, and work at the Hall of the Board, on stoves, &c.	\$47 50
Thomas Boesé, cash paid for cleaning Depository, cartage and express charges, check and postage stamps and sundries, from December 7, to Decem- ber 21	117 23
Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's office	187 62

WALTER W. ADAMS,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
OWEN KINNEY,	
THOMAS BROWN,	
ORLANDO P. SMITH,	

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. **SMITH** presented a report from the Finance Committee, to whom was referred the communication of the Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D. D., Rector of St. Mark's Church, soliciting "pecuniary help," in the support of a primary school established by said church, in the Seventeenth Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Clerk inform the Rev. A. H. Vinton, D. D., in reply to his communication, soliciting pecuniary aid for the primary school of St. Mark's Church, that this Board has no authority to grant the aid requested, and that the Finance Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	

The **PRESIDENT** put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. **WEST**, presented a report from the Committee on By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations, reporting an additional amendment to the By-Laws, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That subdivision 1 of Section 38, page 90, of the Manual of 1864, be amended so as to read as follows :

1. No teacher shall be appointed in any School who shall not have, at the time of such appointment, the requisite license or certificate of qualification, or to whom any School Officer entitled to act upon the question of the appointment or payment of such teacher is related by either blood or marriage, as father, son, brother, uncle, nephew, or first cousin ; but the provisions aforesaid, shall not apply to the employment, promotion, or transfer, of teachers employed in the

schools previous to the election or appointment of a School Officer who may be related to said teachers.

HENRY P. WEST,	} <i>Committee on</i>
WILSON SMALL,	
FREDERICK SMYTH,	
WASHINGTON MURRAY,	
	<i>By-Laws,</i>
	<i>Rules and</i>
	<i>Regulations.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Executive Committee on Free Academy, relative to the appointment of James E. Morrison as tutor, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the appointment of Mr. James E. Morrison as tutor of History and Belles-Lettres, in the Free Academy, by the Executive Committee on Free Academy, at an annual salary of one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,250), to take effect from the 1st of November, 1864, be and the same is hereby confirmed.

JAMES L. MILLER,	} <i>Executive</i>
JOHN HAYES,	
J. N. HAYWARD,	
WASHINGTON MURRAY,	
JAMES M. TUTHILL,	
WILLIAM HITCHMAN,	
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,	<i>Committee</i>
	<i>on</i>
	<i>Free</i>
	<i>Academy.</i>

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMYTH presented a report from the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, to whom was referred the communication from His Honor the Mayor, withdrawing the nomination of L. H. Buckbee as Inspector of Common Schools for the Seventh District, and nominating in his place Hosea B. Perkins, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Hosea B. Perkins be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Common Schools for the Seventh School District, comprising the Twelfth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-second Wards, for the term of three years, from the first day of January, 1865.

FREDERICK SMYTH,	} <i>Committee</i>
WILSON SMALL,	
S. J. MONTGOMERY,	
EDMOND CONNELLY,	
	<i>on Elections</i>
	<i>and</i>
	<i>Qualifications.</i>

In connection with same subject—

Mr. SMYTH moved the adoption of the third resolution reported by the Committee on Elections and Qualifications (*page 329 of the Journal*), as follows :

Resolved, That James Kelly be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Common Schools for the Third School District, comprising the Ninth and Sixteenth Wards, for the term of three years, from the first day of January, 1865.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Maher, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Perley, Brown, Hayes, Koster, West, Murray, Smith, Roosevelt, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, McLean, Leiber, Smyth, Fairchild—35.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution as reported by the Committee in favor of confirming the nomination of Hosea B. Perkins, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes.—Messrs. Maher, Horan, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Perley, Brown, Hayes, Koster, West, Murray, Smith, Roosevelt, Vance, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, McSpedon, Connelly, Hastie, McLean, Lieber, Smyth, Fairchild—35.

Mr. BRENNAN presented a report from the Committee on Supplies, to whom was referred the communication from John

T. Barnard, contractor for furnishing fuel for the schools, asking an additional compensation over the amount fixed by the terms of his contract, and accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That John T. Barnard, contractor for coal, be allowed the sum of ten dollars and sixty-five cents (\$10 65) per ton of 2,240 pounds, for the best Lehigh coal, as conditioned in his contract, which includes all charges for cartage, storage, &c., to and in the School-Houses under the control of this Board, from the first day of April last until December 31, 1864.

JAMES W. FARR, } *Committee*
JOHN N. HAYWARD, } *on*
SAM'L B. H. VANCE, } *Supplies.*

On motion—

Ordered, That said report be laid on the table until the next meeting of the Board, and it be then considered under the order of Reports from Standing Committees.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee in favor of increasing the salary of John G. White, Junior Clerk in the Finance Department, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the salary of John G. White, Junior Clerk in the Finance Department, be and the same is hereby increased to one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200) per annum, to date from September 1, 1864.

WALTER W. ADAMS, }
ORLANDO P. SMITH, } *Auditing*
OWEN KINNEY, } *Committee.*
THOMAS BROWN, }

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DUPIGNAC presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, nominating Margaret Mc-

Gregor as Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 12, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Margaret McGregor, nominated by the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward for the position of Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 12, having, as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent, the requisite qualifications, be and she hereby is appointed to the position to which she has been nominated, to take effect on the first day of December, 1864.

JAS. B. DUPIGNAC, JAMES F. HORAN, ARTHUR O'DONNELL, WM. H. NEILSON,	}	<i>Committee on Teachers.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. HASTIE moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the communication from the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, relative to a new boiler for the heating apparatus of Ward School No. 33, in said Ward, was referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Carried.

Mr. HASTIE then moved that said communication be referred to said Committee, with power to have a new boiler placed in said heating apparatus, the work to be done during the ensuing holiday vacation ; but no part of the expense of the same to be paid until the certificates of the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, the Engineer of the Board, and the Trustees of said Twentieth Ward, are on file in the Clerk's office, that the work has been done to their satisfaction.

Mr. FARR moved to amend the motion of Mr. HASTIE, by adding that said Committee be instructed to inquire into the cause of said boiler being worn out and no longer fit for use,

and that the Committee report the result of their investigation to this Board.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the amendment of Mr. FARR, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Mr. HASTIE as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1864.

ADJOURNED SESSION.

Present—JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., President, and Commissioners Jennett, Maher, Patten, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Brown, Koster, Hayes, West, Murray, Roosevelt, Smith, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, Connelly, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—36.

Absent—Commissioners Huggins, Horan, Jackson, Vance, McSpedon, Lieber—6.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.

The Journal of the last session was read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WARD OFFICERS.

Mr. BRENNAN presented a communication from the School Officers of the Sixth Ward, relative to alterations and repairs in the Female Department of Ward School No. 23, in said Ward.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Committee on Buildings.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the Annual Report of the City Superintendent of Schools for the year 1864.

On motion—

Ordered, That said report be laid on the table and printed. (*Document No. 10.*)

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board the following communication from the Clerk of the Common Council, which was ordered to be entered in full on the Journal :

OFFICE OF CLERK OF COMMON COUNCIL, }
 No 5 CITY HALL, }
 NEW YORK, December 22, 1864. }

I, David T. Valentine, Clerk of the Common Council of the City of New York, do hereby certify that, at the election held December 6, 1864, for charter officers, the following named persons were duly elected Commissioners and Trustees of Common Schools, pursuant to the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act relative to Common Schools in the City of New York," passed April 25, 1864, viz.:

Commissioners of Common Schools.

JAMES B. DUPIGNAC, for the First School District.
 JOHN HAYES, for the Second School District.
 JAMES W. FARR, for the Third School District.
 JOHN F. TURNER, for the Fourth School District.
 S. WEIR ROOSEVELT, for the Fifth School District.
 JAMES M. McLEAN, for the Sixth School District.
 WILLIAM HITCHMAN, for the Seventh School District.

Trustees of Common Schools.

James Curran, for the First Ward.
 John P. Huggins, for the Second Ward.
 John Patten, for the Third Ward.
 William Kennedy, for the Fourth Ward, full term.
 Matthew Joyce, for the Fourth Ward, to fill a vacancy for one year.
 William Wagner, for the Fourth Ward, to fill a vacancy for two years.
 Thomas White, for the Fourth Ward, to fill a vacancy for four years.
 John Hewitt, for the Fifth Ward.

Owen Kinney, for the Sixth Ward.
William H. Thrall, for the Seventh Ward.
John Aitkin, Jr., for the Eighth Ward.
Charles S. Wright, for the Ninth Ward.
George T. Patterson, for the Tenth Ward.
Joseph Wangler, for the Eleventh Ward.
Wallace P. Birdsall, for the Twelfth Ward.
William H. Tracey, for the Thirteenth Ward.
John Bush, for the Fourteenth Ward.
Henry A. Tailer, for the Fifteenth Ward.
John Delamater, for the Sixteenth Ward.
Henry L. Slote, for the Seventeenth Ward.
Joseph F. Joy, for the Eighteenth Ward.
H. Huntington Lee, for the Nineteenth Ward.
James G. Dimond, for the Twentieth Ward.
Edward M. Banks, for the Twenty-first Ward.
John M. Helck, for the Twenty-second Ward.

D. T. VALENTINE,
Clerk of Common Council.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Board a communication from the Teachers of the Schools under the care of the Board, asking for an increase of salary.

On motion—

Ordered, That said communication be referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

On motion of Mr. HASTIE—

Resolved, That the papers in the hands of the various Committees be transferred to the same Committees of the Board in 1865.

On motion of Mr. FARR—

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Board be and he is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the Annual Report of

the Board of Education for the year 1864. (*Document No. 11.*)

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending the payment of sundry bills, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the President and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign warrants in payment of the following bills for the amounts respectively stated, to wit :

Burnton Brothers, stationery for Clerk's office. \$213 74
 Thomas Boesé, cash paid for postage and revenue stamps for City Superintendent and Clerk's offices, cleaning Depository, cartage, express charges, and sundries, to December 28, 1864. 300 26

OWEN KINNEY,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
THOMAS BROWN,	
JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,	
ORLANDO P. SMITH,	

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. SMITH presented a report from the Finance Committee, in favor of increasing the salary of the office messenger, and accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the salary of Edward E. Van Saun, Messenger in the Clerk's office, be and the same is hereby increased to three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350) per annum, to date from January 1st, 1865.

O. P. SMITH,	} <i>Finance Committee.</i>
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	

Mr. WEST moved to amend said resolution by adding thereto the following words : "And that the salary of Thomas T. Bennett, Recording Clerk, be increased to one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) per annum, to date from January 1, 1865."

• The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution as amended, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. ADAMS presented a report from the Auditing Committee, on the examination of the accounts in the Clerk's office, from 30th day of June to the 22d day of December, 1864, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That warrants Nos. 52 for one dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1 75), 439 for one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1 25), and 2,741 for one dollar (\$1), issued in 1862 ; and warrants Nos. 768 for two dollars (\$2), 893 for two dollars (\$2), and 1,975 for one dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1 75), issued in 1863, be and the same are hereby cancelled, and the amounts transferred to the General Fund.

WALTER W. ADAMS, ORLANDO P. SMITH, OWEN KINNEY, THOMAS BROWN, JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,	} <i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion—

Ordered, That said report be laid on the table and printed. (*Document No. 12.*)

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Fifth Ward, asking for an appropriation for supplying a boiler for the heating apparatus in Ward School No. 44, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and eighty dollars (\$380) be and the same is hereby appropriated, in

payment for a new boiler to be placed in the wing of Ward School No. 14, in the Fifth Ward, payment to be made only upon the certificate of the officers of said Ward, the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and the Engineer of the Board.

JOHN HAYES, } Committee on
JAMES W. FARR, } Warming and
WILLIAM HITCHMAN, } Ventilation.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

JOHN WESLEY JONES, H. H. C. F. H. T. Tutthill, Kin-
ney, Thomas, Carey, Smith, Farn, S. J. Welch, O'Connor,
W. J. B. Jones, H. A. H. West, Smith, Mc-
W. J. B. Jones, H. A. H. West, Smith, Mc-

The President put the question whether the Committee on
Warming and Ventilation, and the Engineer of Tuomey &
Smith, in the
Wards, and

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Smith, in the
Wards, and

Wards in the eleventh Ward	\$255 37
Wards in the eighteenth Ward	500 28
	<hr/> \$755 65

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

JOHN HAYES, } Committee on
JAMES W. FARR, } Warming and
WILLIAM HITCHMAN, } Ventilation.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Patten, Heath, O'Donnell, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Farr, Bogert, Welch, O'Connor, Perley, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Smith, McLaughlin, Miller, Hayward, Neilson, Hitchman, Connolly, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—28.

Mr. HAYES presented a report from the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, to whom were referred communications from the School Officers of the Twentieth and Twenty-second Wards, respectively, relative to the heating apparatus in certain Schools in said Wards, and accompanied with the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the sum of seventeen hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$1,725) be and the same is hereby appropriated for altering, enlarging, repairing and completing the heating apparatus in Ward School No. 32, in the Twentieth Ward, in addition to the fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) withheld from Baker & Smith, the contractors for putting said apparatus into said School, they having failed to complete the same to the satisfaction of this Board ; the money to be paid on the certificate of the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and the Engineer of this Board, that said work is completed in all respects to their satisfaction.

Resolved, That the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500), or so much of said sum as may be required therefor, be and the same is hereby appropriated for repairing the heating apparatus in Ward School No. 51 in the Twenty-second Ward, the work to be done under the direction of the School Officers of said Ward, the Committee on Warming and Ventilation, and the Engineer of this Board ; the money therefor to be paid on the certificate of the officers aforesaid that the work has been done in all respects to their satisfaction.

JOHN HAYES,	} Committee on	
JAS. W. FARR,		Warming and
WM. HITCHMAN,		Ventilation.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Jennett, Patten, Heath, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Perley, Jackson, Boice,

Report from the Committee on
which was referred the com-
Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, rep-
in the heating apparatus in
said Ward, is worn out and
taking that a new and larger
the wornout one, stating that
through the gross neglect
Triglar, Janitor of said school,
the following resolutions :

... hundred and forty-five dollars here-by appropriated for the purchase of the heating apparatus of the Fourth Ward, the work to be done by the School Officers of said Ward, the School Ventrilation, and Engineer ... on the certificate of the ... has been done to their satis-

Education hereby censures
School No. 33, in the
recent occasion, so far ne-
glecting the boilers in the heating
system, the destroyed by heat for
while said boiler was
turning the water into
instant explosion.
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Committee on
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... and report by adding to the

second resolution, the following words : " And that the President and Clerk of this Board be and they are hereby directed not to sign any warrants in payment of the salary of Charles R. Triglar, Janitor of Ward School No. 33."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said amendment, and it was decided in the negative.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the first of said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. O'Donnell, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Roosevelt, Murray, Smith, McLaughlin, Miller, Hitchman, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—23.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with the second of said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Ayes—Messrs. Heath, Murphy, Tuthill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Welch, Boice, Koster, Brown, Hayes, West, Murray, Smith, McLaughlin, Miller, Neilson, Hitchman, Hastie, Smyth, Fairchild—26.

Nay—Mr. Connelly—1.

The PRESIDENT then put the question whether the Board would agree with the third of said resolutions, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MILLER presented a report from the Committee on Buildings, relative to an appropriation for the payment of the bills incurred in altering and repairing Ward School-House No. 49, Twenty-first Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-five hundred and ninety-three dollars and seventy-two cents (\$3,593 72), be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment in full of the bills incurred in altering and repairing Ward School-House No. 49, in the Twenty-first Ward, said bills to be paid on a

certificates of their correctness, signed by the Superintendent of School Buildings and Committee on Buildings of this Board.

JAMES L. MILLER, WM. J. O'CONNOR, JEREMIAH WELCH, JACOB C. BOGERT,	}	<i>Committee on Buildings.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Yes. Messrs. Jonnett, Heath, O'Donnell, Tuthill, Kinney, Thurman, Carsey, Small, Montgomery, Adams, Bogert, Welch, Butler, Jackson, Hoice, Koster, Brown, West, Smith, Miller, Neuhart, Connolly, Hastie, McLean, Smyth—25.

Mr. HITCHMAN presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, to whom was referred the communication from the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward, asking authority to advertise for estimates and proposals for furnishing the new Grammar School House now in course of erection in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution

Resolved, That the School Officers of the Sixteenth Ward be, and they are hereby authorized to advertise for estimates and proposals for the desks, chairs, settees, &c., necessary for furnishing the new Grammar School House now in course of erection in said Ward, and for additions and alterations to the furniture of Grammar School No. 45, pursuant to plans and specifications prepared by the Superintendent of School Buildings, and approved by the Committee on School Furniture, and the School Officers of the Ward aforesaid.

WM. HITCHMAN, JAMES L. HASTIE, B. B. FAIRCHILD,	}	<i>Committee on School Furniture.</i>
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The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. DORRIS presented a report from the Committee on Teachers, to whom was referred the communication from the

Board of Trustees of the Eighth Ward, nominating Frances A. Stevens for Principal of Primary School No. 6, in said Ward, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That Miss Frances A. Stevens, nominated by the Trustees of the Eighth Ward for the position of Principal of Primary School No. 6, and having, as appears from the annexed certificate of the City Superintendent, the requisite qualifications, be and she is hereby appointed to said position, to take effect from and after December 1st, 1864.

ARTHUR O'DONNELL,	} Committee
WM. H. NEILSON,	
CHAS. BOICE,	
	on
	Teachers.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT stated as the next business in order the consideration of the report from the Committee on Supplies, submitted at the last meeting, relative to the application of John T. Barnard for extra compensation as contractor for supplying the schools with coal. (*Journal*, page 348.)

The Clerk read the resolution recommended by the Committee, as follows :

Resolved, That John T. Barnard, contractor for coal, be allowed the sum of ten dollars and sixty-five cents (\$10 65) per ton of 2,240 pounds, for the best Lehigh coal, as conditioned in his contract, which includes all charges for cartage, storage, &c., to and in the School-Houses under the control of this Board, from the first day of April last until December 31, 1864.

Mr. BRENNAN presented a report from the minority of the Committee on Supplies, on the subject embraced in the foregoing report from the majority of said Committee, and accompanied with the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application of John T. Barnard, for relief under his contract for supplying the schools with coal, be and the same is hereby denied.

TIMOTHY BRENNAN,
Minority of the Committee on Supplies.

[December 28,

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution recommended by the minority of said Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Agree. Messrs. Jennett, Heath, O'Donnell, Dupignac, Pughill, Kinney, Brennan, Carey, Montgomery, Welch, Perley, Keene, Murray, Neilson, Hitchman, Connolly, Hastie, Smith, Flinchbaugh—19.

Agree. Messrs. Small, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Boice, Brown, Evans, W. W. Smith, McLaughlin, Miller—11.

The President presented a report from the Committee on Supplies on the award of contracts for furnishing the schools with books etc., for the year 1885 and accompanied with a following resolution:

Resolved. That the award of contracts made by the Committee on Supplies and hereby submitted, be confirmed, and that the same contracts shall continue in full force and effect until the first of February, 1886.

Wm. H. Brennan,

Samuel E. Vance,

John A. McLaughlin,

John A. Hayward,

Wm. W. Farr.

Committee
on
Supplies.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution recommended by the majority of said Committee, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Agree. Messrs. Small, Adams, Farr, Bogert, Boice, Brown, Evans, W. W. Smith, McLaughlin, Miller—11.

Wm. H. Brennan,

Samuel E. Vance,

John A. McLaughlin,

John A. Hayward,

Wm. W. Farr.

Committee
on
Supplies.

The report was then read and printed.

Mr. SMITH presented the Annual report of the Finance Committee, of the financial operations of the Board of Education for the year 1864.

ORLANDO P. SMITH,	} Finance Committee.
TIMOTHY BRENNAN,	
SAM'L J. MONTGOMERY,	
JACOB C. BOGERT,	
JEREMIAH WELCH,	

On motion—

Ordered, That said report be laid on the table and printed. (Document No. 14.)

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. NEILSON moved to take from the table Document No. 3, being a report from the Committee on Normal Schools, proposing the organization of a school for the education of females, to be known as the "Daily Normal School for Females."

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. NEILSON then moved that said report be adopted.

The PRESIDENT put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. HAYES—

Resolved, That the Board, through the President and Clerk, apply to the Legislature of this State to have subdivision one, section three, of the Act relative to Common Schools in the city of New York (see page 21 of the Manual of 1864), passed July 3, 1851, amended June 3, 1853, and amended April, 1863, amended by striking out the word "five," on the fourth line from the end of said subdivision, and inserting in the place thereof the word "seven."

Mr. HASTIE offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the able, dignified, and courteous manner

in which JAMES M. McLEAN, Esq., has discharged the duties of President of the Board during the past year, eminently entitles him to the thanks of the Board, characterized as his official administration has been by uniform urbanity, fidelity, and impartiality ; and that we regard his unanimous re-election to the office of Commissioner from the Sixth School District as an evidence on the part of his fellow-citizens of the District of their appreciation of the value of the services he has rendered to the cause of popular education during his present term of office.

The resolution was advocated by Mr. HASTIE, after which it was unanimously adopted.

Mr. FARR offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board be and the same are hereby tendered to THOMAS BOESE, Esq., the faithful, efficient, and courteous Clerk of this Board, for the manner in which his arduous and responsible duties have been discharged during the past year.

The resolution was advocated by Mr. ROOSEVELT, after which it was unanimously adopted.

Mr. BRENNAN offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That upon the retirement of ORLANDO P. SMITH, Esq., from the Board of Education, after being a member thereof for the past four years, during which time he has served on several important Committees, and for the last three years as Chairman of the Finance Committee, he is entitled to the gratitude and esteem of his fellow-members and the friends of education generally, for the zeal, faithfulness, and ability with which he has discharged all his official duties ; for the uniform courtesy and dignified demeanor which have characterized his intercourse with his associates in the Board ; that he is entitled to the gratitude of his fellow-citizens for the repeated services he has rendered his country in the hour of its peril and danger ; that we shall miss his able counsels and the benefit of his enlarged financial experience in the future deliberations of this Board ; and that, in parting with him, we do so with sincere regret, and tender him our heartfelt wishes for his continued happiness and prosperity.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. HAYES offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are eminently due to FREDERICK SMYTH, Esq., Commissioner from the Twenty-second Ward, and Chairman of the Committee on Elections and Qualifications, for the very able and efficient manner in which he has on all occasions attended to the duties of said Committee, and also for the upright, assiduous, and courteous manner in which he has performed his duties as a member of this Board.

The resolution was advocated by Messrs. WEST, HASTIE, and FARR, after which it was unanimously adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.



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